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Says

Boxing in New York Becomes Muddled
Robinson-Basilio Squabble Ridiculous
Johansson Now Big Boss in New Match

NOT since the Walker Law legalizing boxing in New York was put into operation in New York in 1920, has there been such scant ring activity in the State. Some blame it on the Boxing Commission for lack of foresight and initiative; others on the failure of matchmakers to bring together boxers of known ability and still others on the lack of ring lustre.

Whatever the cause—and each has played a part in bringing about the present state of stagnation—the fact remains that New York, once the greatest boxing city in the world, has been shunted into the background with only now and then, an occasional match of national or international importance being staged.

Where do we go from here? There is little hope for a major improvement despite the acquisition of the famous old St. Nicholas Arena by Irving Kahn of TelePrompTer, closed circuit theatre television fame. He has also leased the famous American Legion Club of Hollywood, to give him two outlets, one in the East and another in the West.

Though D'Amato, who manages the former heavyweight king and has several good attractions, especially Jose Torres, denies he has a financial interest in the new organizations, and will act only in an advisory capacity to the new lessee, Kahn's activities will center around Cus' stable of fighters and those of Al Weill, former manager of Rocky Marciano, who has been acting in an advisory capacity for Kahn and D'Amato.

Prior to June 30 when the lease expired, Teddy Brenner and Irving Cohen, now associated with the Madison Square Garden Corporation promoted with the sponsorship of the Garden Boxing Club.

ROBINSON-BASILIO HASSLE HAS BECOME RIDICULOUS

New York had hoped to regain its prestige with the staging of two major championships this fall, the third engagement between Ray Robinson and Carmen Basilio for the world middleweight crown, and the return bout between Ingemar Johansson and Floyd Patterson for the world heavyweight title.

The first was stalled when Robinson demanded such a huge financial return that Basilio left the offices of the New York Commission in anger, sounding off, "I'll never again give Robinson a chance to make money at my expense. Under no conditions will I ever fight him again."

That statement followed the decision of the National Boxing Association to vacate Ray's title and the verdict of the New York Commission to continue to recognize Robinson as world champion. Sponsored by the Gillette Razor Blade Company and with the aid of the Madison Square Garden Club, Basilio and Gene Fullmer, the two top contenders, fought for the NBA title.

The winner will undoubetedly receive the respect of fight fans. Whether Robinson thinks so or not, should he decide to fight the victor, he'll have to cut his demands drastically, since the NBA champion will have plenty working for him in that situation.

Robinson has been left holding the bag. The half million he could have gotten from a match with Basilio, will be reduced to a quarter that sum with any other opponent. At this writing, a match for the world title is in the making between Ray and Paul Pender of Boston, with the blessing of the Massachusetts Commission. This body voted with the N.B.A. to take Robinson's title from him. Strange things happen when financial gains are at stake! What a travesty!

For this contest, Robinson will receive most of the $100,000 which the television sponsor has offered and 42½ percent of the net gate with Pender receiving 20 percent for the chance at the title. It was such an arrangement that Sugar Ray tried to force on Basilio without success.

RAY'S FORCE TACTICS HAVE FAILED UTTERLY

Carmen is as good an attraction as is Ray and Robinson should realize that he cannot demean Basilio with such tactics.

The fact that Harry Markson tried to arrange a world middleweight championship match for New York between Ray and Tiger Ralph Jones while the Garden was reaping the revenues of a Gillette sponsored N.B.A. world title bout between Basilio and Fullmer, then shifted to the Pender bout in Massachusetts when the New York Commission disapproved of Jones as a suitable opponent, indicates that all is not lost so far as a third contest between Ray and Carmen is concerned.

Should Basilio win the NBA crown as we go to press, he will be in an excellent position to press for a fair financial break in a fight with Robinson which I believe will be arranged by the Garden Club for next winter. Too much money is at stake for Ray and Carmen to continue their silly stalemate.

As for the heavyweight title bout, which likewise has hit a snag and as of now, it appears unlikely it will be staged as originally planned for September in New York. The resignation of Bill Rosensohn as president of the Rosensohn Enterprises, the election of Irving Kahn of TelePrompTer as a director and secretary and the surprise announcement that not Rosensohn but Vincent J. Vellela, his lawyer, is the majority stockholder of the corporation that holds the right to stage the next world

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Dan Daniel will bring you the inside story on the impact on boxing made by the Rosensohn scandle . . . Is it true that this may throw Johansson to into the Jim Norris, I.B.C. camp? Will Madison Square Garden now get a chance at a heavyweight match? Will the next fight be staged in Europe? These and many more angles to he present heavyweight plight will be discussed with answers given to our readers.

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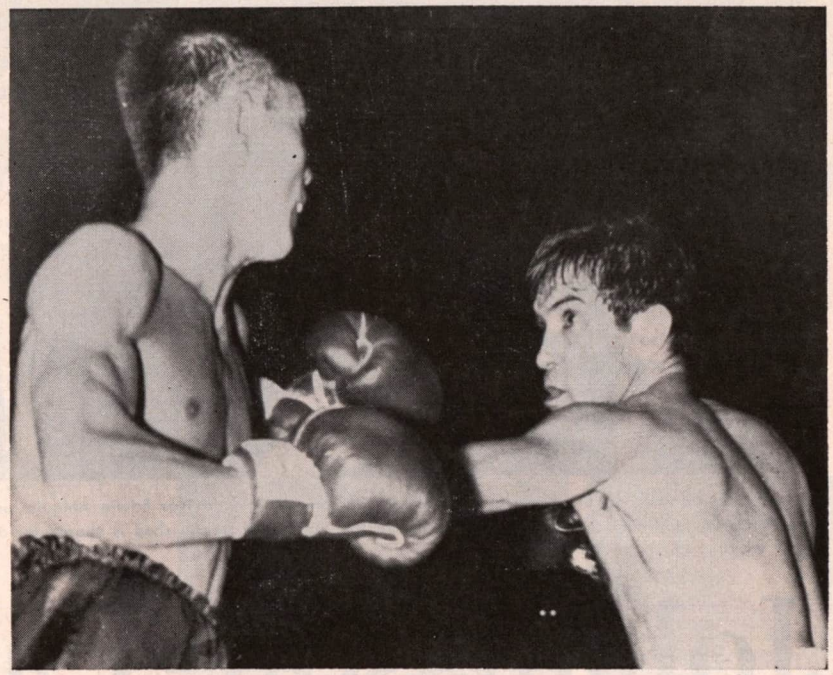

World Champion Pascual Perez lands with a left to the face of challenger Kenji Yonekura in the closing rounds of their 15 round title bout. Although he failed to stop his young opponent Perez gave him a sound drubbing in a very uninspired contest.

By RITCHIE INOYE

PASCUAL PEREZ, world flyweight champion, who is making a lucrative career of fighting in Japan where he won the title five years ago, turned back another bid in his eighth official defense of his crown when he easily defeated Kenji Yonekura over the fifteen round route in Tokyo on August 10.

With the $40,000 purse the champion picked up from this tepid and uninspired victory, neatly counted and tucked away, the Mighty Mite, who has been called the greatest flyweight of modern times, now looks forward with a "yen" to another Japanese frontal assault on his dominion, in the person of Sadao Yaoita, who last January gained a ten rounds decision over Perez in a non-tital affair, the only fight Perez has lost.

Against Yonekura whom he had previously beaten with not too much effort in a bout in which his title was not at stake, the Argentinian who has not fought in his homeland in almost two years was unimpressive.

Apart from several flurries and occasions when Perez "*took the wraps off*" the bout lacked the thrills of an aggressively fought championship contest. Perez weighed 107½ to 111¾ for the challenger.

In the second round a jolting left hook floored Yonekura for a seven count and it appeared that the fight, which brought out a crowd that paid $70,000, would end early. But the television audience and the 10,000 at Municipal Gymnasium were to watch fifteen rounds. Exclusive television rights brought in an additional $63,000 in revenue.

A cut was opened over Yonekura's right eye in the sixth round and a series of solid lefts in the eleventh, twelfth and fifteenth had the Japanese fighter holding on.

Only in the third round did the challenger show to good form and spark his countrymen into believing that they might have another world flyweight champion to replace Yoshio Shirai from whom Perez won the title on November 26, 1954. Yonekura brought the crowd to its feet with a right to the jaw that sent Perez reeling across the ring. But the champion quickly recovered.

In the ninth the challenger momentarily slowed the champion with an uppercut to the jaw and a right to the chin but by then he was in need of a knockout to win. Yonekura fell steadily behind as Perez continued to pound his damaged eye and was hanging on in the last round against the champion's furious, last-ditch bid to retain the crown on a knockout.

The officials, over whom there was a squabble which did not end until only thirty minutes before the opening bell, all had the champion winning by heavy margins. Referee Joaquin Arvas of Argentina scored Perez the winner, 150 to 137. Judge Anthony Petronella, foreign coordinator for the National Boxing Association, voted for Perez, 145 to 139. Judge Koshiro Abe, a Japanese, had the champion winning 146 to 138.

This championship bout, which had undergone four postponements, appeared up in the air almost until the last moment as Lazaro Koci, Perez' manager, insisted on an Argentine referee and would not accept an American who had been appointed as a judge. Finally Petronella at the fight as observer, reluctantly agreed to act as judge and Koci was pacified.

Yonekura, 25, who has been only fighting as a professional for 16 months and had engaged in only six bouts, winning four and losing two, including his earlier loss to Perez, was no match for the champion. His purse of the receipts which totalled more than $133,000 was $1,400.

The way has now been paved for Perez to once more meet the only man who has defeated him, Yaoita, holder of the Japanese and Orient flyweight titles.

Pressure is mounting for Perez to defend his title against his conqueror. The champion, never one to overlook a good money match, just might be talked into such a fight, which could easily set a record gate for Japan.

The bewildered look on the faces of Ingemar Johansson and his advisor Edwin Ahlquist as they discuss the recent turn of events surrounding the Patterson fight and the return match between the victor and vanquished is shared by all boxing fans who were waiting for the September fight which appears to be off.

Johansson-Patterson Return Fight Off

Swede Holds Key To Situation As Foul Smog Closes In On New York

By DAN DANIEL

Not so long ago everything was sweet and solid. Ingemar Johansson, new heavyweight champion of the world, was to give Floyd Patterson a chance to recover the title in Yankee Stadium in September. The contracts appeared to be signed, boxing interest was at an unusual peak, Patterson was reported to be certain to enter the ring a favorite despite his three round knockout defeat by the Swede, and Bill Rosensohn was the Boy Wonder promoter.

What is the picture as this issue of The Ring Magazine is circulated around the world? Well, there is no September fight, and there is the slimmest likelihood of there being one at that time or even later this Fall.

Patterson is not getting the chance to regain the championship, District Attorney Frank Hogan, of New York, has been questioning a lot of people connected with the Johansson-Patterson situation, and once again boxing is suffering from smirch, innuendo, reported hoodlum influence, and dangerous inference.

Rosensohn appears to have been pushed out of Rosensohn Enterprises, Inc., which was to put on the return fight. One Vincent Velella, a New York lawyer, suddenly has appeared prominently in the picture, and one might ask, what is he doing there?

It has been revealed that Rosensohn owns one third of the Enterprises, while the Velella-Irving Kahn-TelePrompter combine owns two thirds, with Cus D'Amato's financial interest undetermined.

The air is full of lawyers and whereases, barrister thinking and legalistic lingo. Hogan calls Frank Erickson, nororious gambler, reported to have conferred with the Boy Wonder promoter. Hogan also says that Jim Norris, of the deceased International Boxing Club, conferences with Frank Carbo, now under indictment, and long reputed to be the underworld boss of boxing, without whose license and approval nothing could be done for better or for worse by men wearing gloves within the squared circle. The Norris-Carbo talks, Hogan charged, took place while Carbo was a fugitive from justice.

JOHANSSON HOLDS KEY TO ENTIRE SITUATION

While Rosensohn appears to have been pushed out by his partners in the Enterprises, he has a very important asset, and that is the friendship and confidence of Johansson.

Johansson is the key to the entire situation. Between them, Rosensohn and the champion have it in their power to shove Patterson, D'Amato, Kahn, Velella and the whole shebang into innocuous desuetude .

In short, Johansson fights whom he wants to fight, for whom, and where and when he wishes.

Kahn, Velella and D'Amato may hold on to their two thirds of the Enterprises, but Johansson holds on to the one big, vital factor, the ability to produce the heavyweight champion of the world in a ring.

Johansson and Rosensohn could bypass Patterson, and make a Forgotten Man of him. Floyd was knocked out

in three rounds, he had his chance to keep the title, he lost it, and now there is a new man making the decisions and Patterson and D'Amato, long the rulers, are the supplicants.

It was interesting to read the open letter which Patterson sent to Johansson, reminding him of his promise to fight Floyd again within 90 days, and telling the Swede how much Patterson admires him as a sportsman.

If Johansson chooses to ignore the 90 days business, and if he refuses to become involved in the smelly effluira of Hogan's investigations, who can blame him?

If Johansson decides to delay meeting Patterson at least until next June, who is to call him names? Certainly not the hitherto arrogant D'Amato, who for so long kept the title in deep freeze.

If Johansson prefers to remain on the other side until things clear up, and if he prefers to fight Henry Cooper in England for Jack Solomons, who can tell him he is not just to Patterson, and is doing the wrong thing?

In short, Patterson, through D'Amato, asked for it, and he has no beef.

HOW MUCH WILL BE LEFT FOR CONJECTURE?

It must be a matter of deep chagrin for all American lovers of boxing to see what has happened, and to wonder how much has been left unrevealed, and will be left untold when the smog clears.

But what are foreign followers of boxing to think when Hogan makes his damaging revelations, and in St. Louis there is an investigation of Sonny Liston, heavyweight contender, under suspicion of having dealings with a local underworld Carbo-style character?

While the return fight between Johansson and Patterson hangs in the balance, there are a lot of questions to be answered.

What is, or was, the connection between Rosensohn, written up as the lily white Boy Wonder promoter, and Erickson? Did the gambler finance the fight in which Johansson gained the title?

Erickson's entry into the picture develops many unfair and sickening inferences regarding the bona fides of the Swede's knockout triumph.

Whatever Hogan has dug up, he cannot possibly have discovered anything which would impugn Johansson's victory and throw suspicion on the honesty of his fight with Patterson.

As for Rosensohn, it is likely that, despite his having conferred with Erickson, he still is out in the clear. Perhaps the Boy Promoter is a horse player. Erickson has been known to accept bets.

Perhaps Hogan has been digging into the ownership of fighter Patterson. There have been reports that D'Amato is merely the representative of someone. Could be this is all tripe. Could be it is all very interesting.

Why did Hogan summon D'Amato? On information and belief? On suspicion and hearsay? On conjecture and surmise, or solid information? Who knows?

What is Charley Black doing in the D'Amato-Patterson camp? Who is Black and why and how come?

Why has Kahn, with a good thing like TelePrompter going for him, injected himself into the promotion side of boxing?

Why is boxing, inherently a great, manly sport, been forced to take those foul blows, year after year, low punches from low characters?

This sounds and reads angry. And why should it not be angry? What are the Boxing Commissions doing for the game? Why do they sit by and let the authority of the law do their work for them, if the job be tackled at all.

The Hogan investigation would not postpone the return fight between Johansson and Patterson if the Rosensohn Enterprises squabble had not developed.

Truman Gibson (left), President of the National Boxing Enterprises and Cus D'Amato (right), manager of Floyd Patterson, who are pivotal figures in the investigation. Gibson and his group may well wind up with control of the heavyweight champion if the facts rumored about D'Amato associates prove true.

Vincent Velella, New York lawyer (left), who is now in the driver seat of the Rosensohn Enterprises, Inc. Velella, was the man who put up the money for the title match, while Bill Rosensohn (right), claims that the contract signed by Johansson and Patterson belongs to him and not to the corporation which he was forced out of under pressure. The New York District Attorney is trying to sift out the truth of the matter.

Rosensohn was the promoter of record of the contest in which Ingo won the title. Then, as he planned the return fight, things happened and he was forced out of control of the Enterprises.

Why did this happen? The Velella-D'Amato-Kahn interests say that Rosensohn operated on too costly a basis, that he lost a lot more than the reported $40,000 on the fight, and they could not afford to have another such promotion.

Are the charges against Rosensohn based on fact? Or was he chased out of control by a cabal?

For the Patterson side of the situation there is the disturbing possibility that the Madison Square Garden boxing department, the remnants of the disrupted IBC, may hook up with Johansson and Rosensohn, and force crusader D'Amato to capitulate, or side line the former champion.

The Garden people have not been sitting by idly. They have not been content to surrender the big play in New York. They are after the heavyweight fight, the Robinson-Basilio third match, and other major operations.

D'Amato could wind up behind the eight ball. But Americans would not like to see Patterson lose his chance to regain the title, lose it, or see it delayed too long.

They say cats have nine lives. But boxing has a hundred more. It must be very strong.

MOORE NOW FACTOR IN SWEDE'S PLANS

Archie Moore's victory over Yvon Durelle has become one of the many complicating and perplexing factors with which the Patterson connection now is assailed.

The excitement over Patterson's chances in a return

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By NAT FLEISCHER

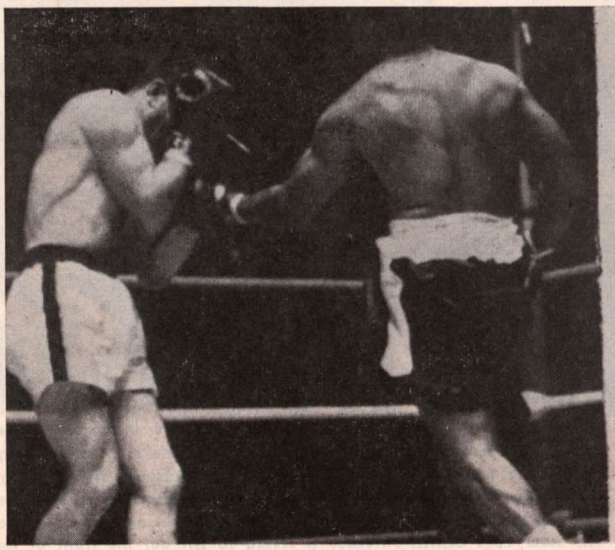
Million dollar offer for heavyweight fight cited by Kearns, rich bid for Ray

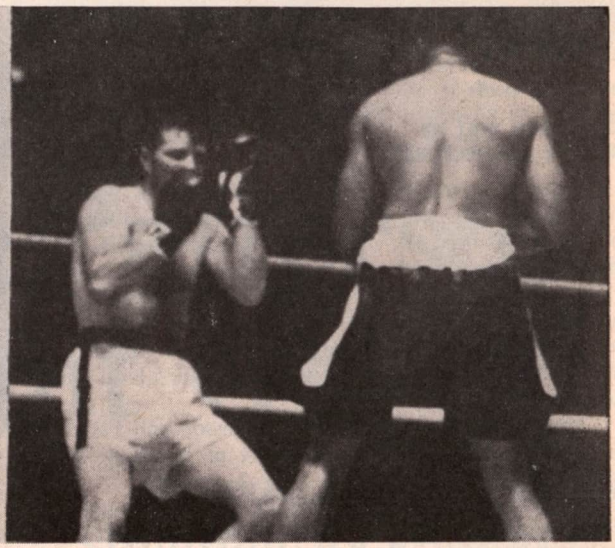
AGELESS Archie Moore, Methusalah of the roped square, edged his way into the heavyweight picture when he repeated his knockout over Yvon Durelle in the Montreal Forum, stopping the New Brunswick fisherman in 2.53 of the third round.

Defying Father Time, the oldest boxer in the world unmasked science and hitting power to take the play away from his Canadian opponent from the opening gong and floored Yvon four times.

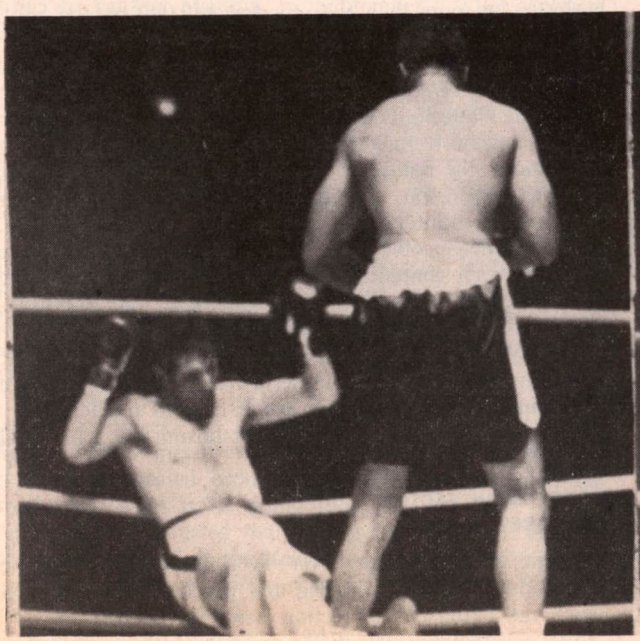
Jack Kearns, the 77-year-old manager of the champion, wasted no time to announce that he had cabled an offer to Ingemar Johansson of a million dollars to fight Moore next June. Asked where he would obtain that sum, voluble Jack replied.

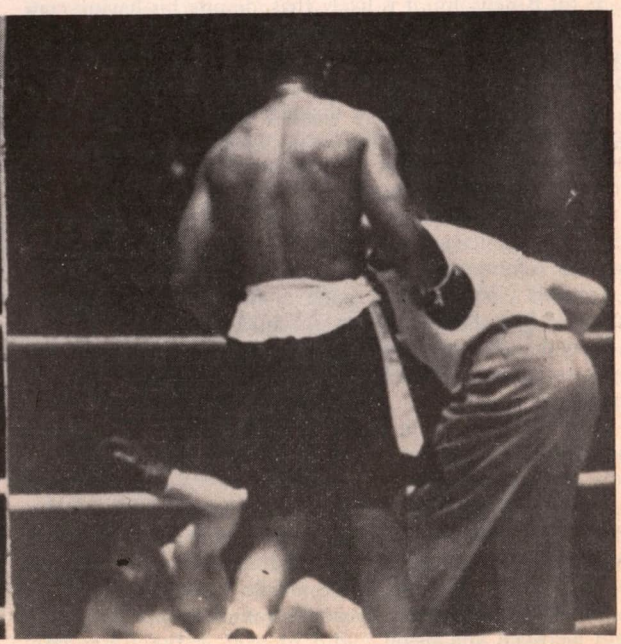
"I have a millionaire right here who is ready to put up $750,000 to be split evenly, 30-30 for Ray Robinson to box Archie in November in the new Los Angeles Sports Arena and three oil men who are prepared to place in





Moore Now Seeks Ingo or Robinson





escrow a million if Ingemar will accept Archie."

Reminded that Johansson has a contract for a return engagement with Floyd Patterson, one of Moore's backers replied, *"You don't think that Johansson will go through with that match after what has happened."*

Since Kearns named Jim Norris as one of those willing to put up a million for such a fight, Truman Gibson, President of the National Boxing Enterprises, Norris' Chicago boxing organization, declared that his outfit would back such a contest with that amount for Johansson if Ingemar were a free agent.

"But," continued Gibson, *"the affairs of the Rosensohn Enterprises are in such a mess, it might take two years before Johansson will find himself in the clear. That organization is so involved, there's no telling what Johansson can do about his next fight. However, we definitely are in the field for a Moore-Johansson battle and Kearns' figures are not too high considering the drawing power of both Archie and Ingemar and the closed circuit, radio and movie possibilities if people who know how to promote handle the fight."*

But that is not the only bout Moore seeks. He would prefer as of now to take on Robinson, he said, provided Ray comes off his high horse, and talks sense in his negotiations.

"I don't think Ray wants to fight again. Remember he has been idle for eighteen months and it's not easy to get back into condition to fight a tough hombre like Archie. But we have a good offer and it's up to Ray," said Kearns.

The offer came from Ron Waller, Los Angeles Rams football player, who recently married the heiress to a $250,000,000 cereal fortune. He came into the press room in the Mount Royal Hotel with an offer to post $750,000 in a bank to be named by the fighters.

Waller declared that this sum could be split to suit the boxers, but Kearns said he would accept such a bout for the title on a thirty-thirty split of gate receipts, radio, closed circuit television and movies. Unlike Archie, Jack prefers the Johansson bout.

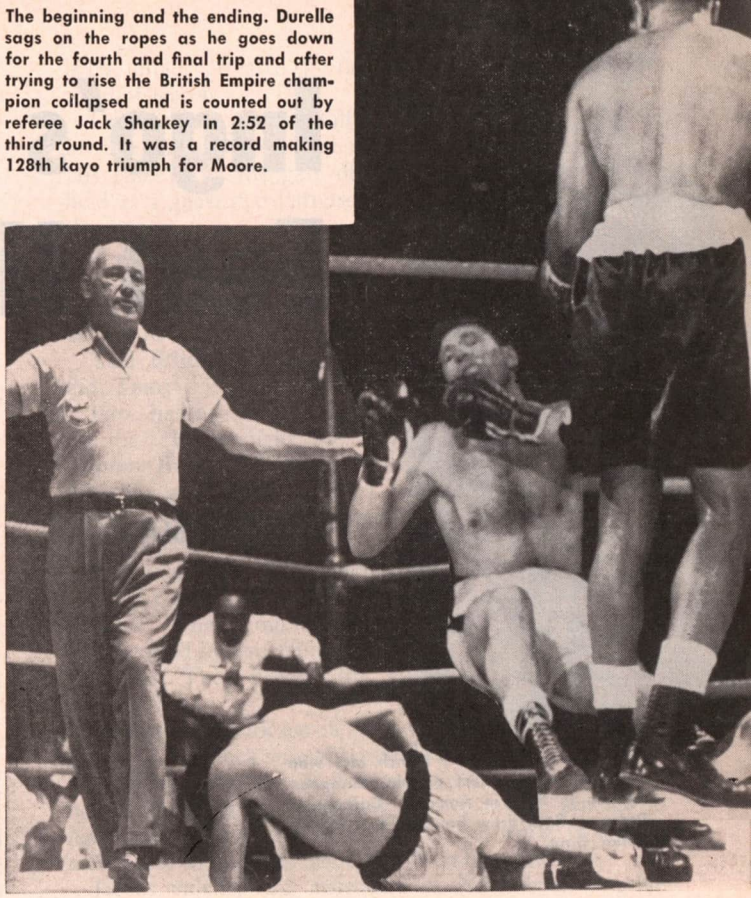
A right hook to the head in the opening round of their return bout in the same Forum ring where Archie disposed of Durelle last December, paved the way for the downfall of the fisherman. Yvon, who was knocked out by venerable Archie in the eleventh round of that battle and came within a second of winning the world crown, was no match for Moore in the return encounter.

The second bout didn't last as long nor furnish as many thrills, but the performance of Archie slashing away at his strong, awkward, unskilled opponent, covering up with a tight, shell defense to protect himself against a facial barrage, then suddenly opening up with a vicious attack that took his rival by surprise—those were the things that will be remembered long after Archie retires.

The fisherman who was stopped in that harrowing, scintillating December bout of last year, faced a more alert, better conditioned champion. Moore, who twice called for a postponement of the contest, once when he had a sore heel and again when he went to San Diego to be with his ill wife, used a flurry of lefts and rights to the head after setting his opponent up for the kill with jabs and right jolts. Once the barrage got under way, he had Yvon at his mercy. After the first knockdown, the gathering of 11,555 who paid a gross of $140,519, visualized a speedy ending.

Archie took command from the opening gong. Though one of the officials, Judge Rene Ouimet gave the second round to Durelle, Archie definitely was entitled to the first

(left) Sequence of photos shows Durelle heading for the canvas on his second trip following a wicked left hook to the jaw delivered by the champion. Unlike Durelle who lost Moore when he had him on the hook in their first fight last year, Archie wasted little time and few punches in finishing his man.



The beginning and the ending. Durelle sags on the ropes as he goes down for the fourth and final trip and after trying to rise the British Empire champion collapsed and is counted out by referee Jack Sharkey in 2:52 of the third round. It was a record making 128th kayo triumph for Moore.

two. Although Yvon said he had learned much from his first fight and from his new trainer, Charley Goldman, it was apparent that Moore, not Yvon, benefited from their previous experience.

In the return bout, Archie answered the question as to who learned most from their first encounter by covering his chin, and often his entire face as he went into a shell when the Durelle attack became strong and danger lurked. The old champion didn't walk into any more sucker punches. He was alert, calm, fast and worked the Leach Cross feigning plan to perfection. He let Durelle think he was hurt, then suddenly unleashed a barrage that had the fisherman groggy.

Durelle made his best showing in the second round in which he jarred Archie twice with powerful rights. But Archie's left hand kept popping into Yvon's face and try as he would to avoid it, the challenger couldn't get away from it.

Moore came back strong as that round progressed and nailed Durelle repeatedly with jarring jabs and hooks. Once Durelle was driven halfway across the ring with a solid right on the chin. But Yvon came back, drove Moore against the ropes and kept him pinned while Archie went into a wrap-around, shell defense. One of Yvon's rights made Archie's knees buckle, but on the whole, the champion had an advantage and was voted it by two of the officials and most of the reporters.

The veteran who won his title from Joey Maxim in 1954 and was defending it for the eighth time, handed the Canadian a terrific shellacking in the third and final round. The knockdowns came in rapid succession.

A fusillade of rights, one of which landed with TNT force on the chin, put Yvon down for the first time for a count of seven. He arose, and at him with a fiery spirit, came the champion. Two rights to the jaw, then a left that landed with stunning effect, dazed Yvon. As he stepped in to return the assault, a left uppercut dropped

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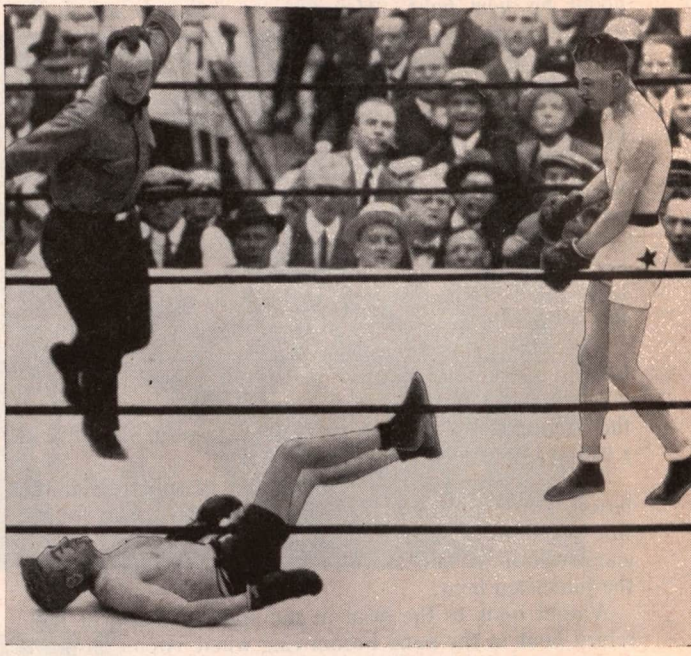
Ingo's first shot Feat Not solo

Georges Carpentier, the French Idol who was one of the most popular European fighters to fight in America. Carpentier-Dempsey fight drew boxing's first Million Dollar Gate.

By AL BUCK



French War Hero Eugene Criqui, who made his American debut by ending Johnny Kilbane's eleven year reign as feather-weight champion with a sixth round knockout. In his next fight he lost the title to Johnny Dundee but impressed the American public with his ability.

THERE is an old saying: "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again." It can't be applied to Ingemar Johansson. The smiling Swede with the sweet right took the first trick, and with it the title.

Ingo is not the first foreign heavyweight to try, but he is the first to win the world heavyweight championship in his initial fight in the United States. No wonder Floyd Patterson thought it couldn't be done. He wasn't the only one.

Although Johansson is the first heavyweight, to gain the crown in his U. S. debut, he is not the first foreigner to win a fistic crown in his American start. Turn back the pages of The Ring Record Book to 1920 shortly after the first World War had made the world safe for Democracy; Warren Harding was advocating a return to normalcy and prohibition was the law of the land.

Jack Dempsey was secure on the heavyweight throne, the stock market was climbing to the sky, and Tex Rickard was looking for a million dollar attraction. A promoter with imagination, Tex visualized an international battle. Outstanding on the other side of the Atlantic was Georges Carpentier, of France.

A World War I flier, Carpentier had knocked out Joe Beckett, the horizontal British heavyweight, in one round. He was the idol of France, handsome, the Orchid Man.

The newly-organized International Sporting Club, with William Gavin as director and Tex O'Rourke as matchmaker, had arranged to bring Carpentier over to meet Battling Levinsky for the latter's world light-heavyweight title. The bout, originally planned for Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, was shifted to West Side Park, Jersey City and was staged on Columbus Day, October 12, 1920.

Although he had no connection with the promotion, Rickard was more than casually interested in the result. If Carpentier could win, and in sensational enough fashion, Tex would try to match him with Dempsey for the heavyweight title. He did win and Rickard went all out to get his man.

Carpentier had what Johansson has today—a big right hand. On that long ago fall night Georges' right prevailed, and Levinsky was knocked out in the fourth round.

Like Johansson, Carpentier won a world title in his first fight in America.

The victory qualified the Frenchman as a challenger for the heavyweight title. On July 2, 1921, he faced Dempsey at Boyle's Thirty Acres in Jersey City. Though he had not given up his light-heavyweight crown, Carpentier had his moment in the second round when he exploded his right on Dempsey's jaw. It staggered the champion, but the Manassa Mauler shook it off and moved in. The fight ended in the fourth round, with Carpentier knocked out.

Rickard had calculated well. For the first time a fight had drawn a million dollars. A crowd of 80,000 paid $1,-789,236 to see the heavyweight champion knock out the light-heavyweight champion in what Tex called the "Battle of the Century."

Following in Carpentier's footsteps, another Frenchman came to America to win a title in his first fight on this side of the Atlantic. He was Eugene Criqui, a World War I hero. His jaw had been shattered at Verdun, but the doctors had rebuilt it and he was challenging for the featherweight crown.

Johnny Kilbane had held the title 11 years. He had avoided a showdown with Johnny Dundee, a leading challenger and while this was no fault of Criqui, the New York Commission imposed a condition. In approving the Kilbane-Criqui fight, the Commission stipulated the Frenchman, should he win, must fight Dundee within a 60-day period.

Kilbane's hair had turned to silver, and he crumbled under Criqui's attack. He was knocked out in the sixth, and Criqui, in his first American start, had won the championship.

Fifty-four days later, Criqui kept his part of the bargain by defending the title against Dundee. He made a gallant stand, going the 15 rounds, while a pro-Dundee crowd booed and hooted. Dundee got the decision and the crown.

Criqui had only two fights in America, both for the world featherweight championship. He won the first from Kilbane, and lost the second to Dundee. If he felt he had been unfairly treated in the United States, it was not without reason.

Criqui's purse for the Kilbane fight was held up pending his fight with Dundee. Johansson is in the same position. His purse from the gate of the Patterson fight is being held as a guarantee Patterson will get a chance to regain the crown.

It could be that Johansson's fate will be similar to that of Criqui, but so far, no ex-heavyweight champion has succeeded in regaining the title. Patterson has an excellent chance to turn the trick.

Two British heavyweights tried to do what Johansson did. Tommy Farr and Brian London, both failed.

Farr, hailing from Tonypandy, Wales, may have been the best heavyweight the Empire has produced since Tommy Burns, a Canadian, held the world title. Tommy filled the gap between James J. Jeffries' retirement and the arrival of Jack Johnson. It was Burns' defeat by Johnson that led to Jeff's return.

Farr received a gold engraved invitation to come here and fight Joe Louis, the newly crowned world champion, in 1937. When Tommy sailed up the bay he was personally escorted by Saul Strauss, attorney for Mike Jacobs, the promoter. They needed the Welshman more than he needed them.

It started in Chicago in June when Louis knocked out James J. Braddock in eight rounds to win the title. Max Schmeling, who the year previous had knocked out Louis, had been by-passed. Schmeling's move was to arrange to fight Farr for a European version of the world title. The match was as good as made for Wembley Stadium.

Jacobs enlisted the assistance of Nat Fleischer, publisher of The Ring, who phoned Ted Broadribb, Farr's manager. Broadribb confirmed the report, explaining he had given his word to Syd Hull, the British promoter. Farr was to get $30,000.

Fleischer reported to Jacobs, who, in turn, instructed him to get Broadribb on the 'phone again. Through Fleischer, Jacobs doubled Farr's guarantee for fighting Schmeling. He could get $60,000 for fighting Louis, and

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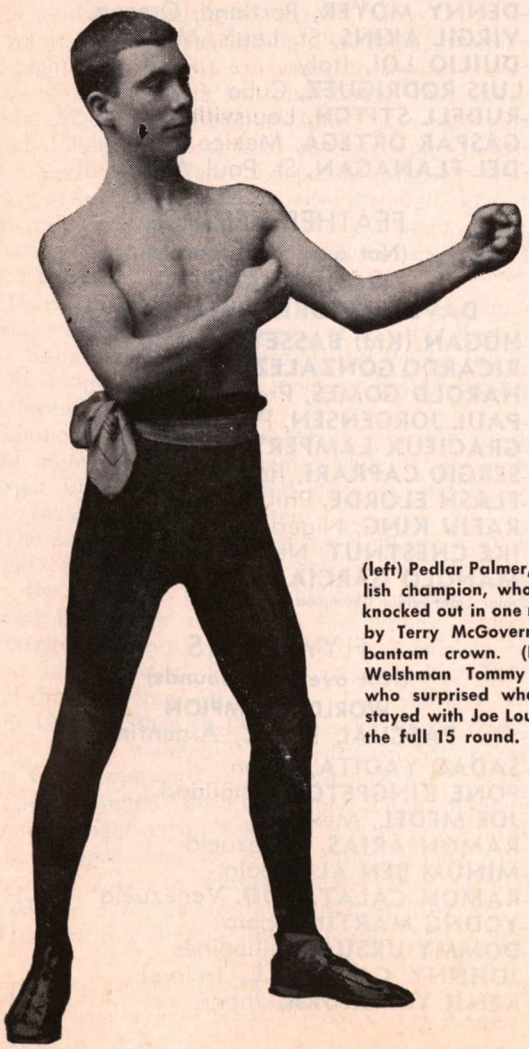

(left) Pedlar Palmer, English champion, who was knocked out in one round by Terry McGovern for bantam crown. (Right) Welshman Tommy Farr, who surprised when he stayed with Joe Louis for the full 15 round.

By NAT FLEISCHER

WORLD RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING AUGUST 18th.

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
INGEMAR JOHANSSON, Sweden

1—**FLOYD PATTERSON,** Rockville Center, N. Y.
2—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Arizona
3—**SONNY LISTON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
4—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Redding, Calif.
5—**HENRY COOPER,** England
6—**ROY HARRIS,** Cut and Shoot, Texas
7—**JOE ERSKINE,** Wales
8—**ALEX MITEFF,** Argentina
9—**CHARLIE POWELL,** San Diego, Calif.
10—**ALONZO JOHNSON,** Pittsburgh, Pa.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
RAY ROBINSON, New York, N. Y.

1—**CARMEN BASILIO,** Chittenango, N. Y.
2—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
3—**SPIDER WEBB,** Chicago, Ill.
4—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**GUSTAV SCHOLZ,** Germany
6—**JOEY GIAMBRA,** Dallas, Texas
7—**HOLLY MIMS,** Washington, D. C.
8—**PAUL PENDER,** Boston, Mass.
9—**RALPH JONES,** Yonkers, N. Y.
10—**GENE ARMSTRONG,** Elizabeth, N. J.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
JOE BROWN, New Orleans, La.

*1—**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N. Y.
2—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
3—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N. Y.
4—**JOHNNY BUSSO,** New York, N. Y.
5—**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
6—**JOHNNY GONSALVES,** Oakland, Calif.
7—**LEN MATTHEWS,** Philadelphia, Pa.
8—**PAUL ARMSTEAD,** Los Angeles, Calif.
9—**GUY GRACIA,** France
10—**RAYMUNDO (Battling) TORRES,** Mexico

*Junior Welter NBA and New York Champion.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
JOE BECERRA, Mexico

1—**ALPHONSE HALIMI,** France
2—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
3—**LEO ESPINOSA,** Philippines
4—**JOSE LOPEZ,** Mexico
5—**DANNY KID,** Philippines
6—**FREDDIE GILROY,** Ireland
7—**EDER JOFRE,** Brazil
8—**MARIO D'AGATA,** Italy
9—**JUAN CARDENAS,** Spain
10—**EDWIN SYKES,** Panama

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
ARCHIE MOORE, San Diego, Calif.

1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**YVON DURELLE,** Canada
3—**ERICH SCHOPPNER,** Germany
4—**JESSE BOWDRY,** St. Louis, Mo.
5—**TONY ANTHONY,** New York, N. Y.
6—**SONNY RAY,** Chicago, Ill.
7—**MIKE HOLT,** South Africa
8—**JOHNNY HALAFAHI,** Tonga
9—**CHIC CALDERWOOD,** Scotland
10—**JERRY LUEDEE,** New Haven, Conn.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
DON JORDAN, Los Angeles, Calif.

1—**SUGAR HART,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**CHARLEY SCOTT,** Philadelphia, Pa.
3—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
4—**DENNY MOYER,** Portland, Oregon.
5—**VIRGIL AKINS,** St. Louis, Mo.
6—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
7—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ,** Cuba
8—**RUDELL STITCH,** Louisville, Ky.
9—**GASPAR ORTEGA,** Mexico
10—**DEL FLANAGAN,** St. Paul, Minn.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
DAVEY MOORE, Springfield, O.

1—**HOGAN (Kid) BASSEY,** Nigeria
2—**RICARDO GONZALEZ,** Argentina
*3—**HAROLD GOMES,** Providence, R. I.
4—**PAUL JORGENSEN,** Port Arthur, Tex.
5—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
6—**SERGIO CAPRARI,** Italy
7—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
8—**RAFIU KING,** Nigeria
9—**IKE CHESTNUT,** New York, N. Y.
10—**MANOLO GARCIA,** Spain

*NBA Junior Lightweight Champion.

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)

WORLD CHAMPION
PASCUAL PEREZ, Argentina

1—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
2—**PONE KINGPETCH,** Thailand
3—**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
4—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
5—**MINUM BEN ALI,** Spain
6—**RAMON CALATAYUD,** Venezuela
7—**YOUNG MARTIN,** Spain
8—**DOMMY URSUA,** Philippines
9—**JOHNNY CALDWELL,** Ireland
10—**KENJI YONEKURA,** Japan

ARCHIE MOORE

Fighter of the Month

Ancient Archie Moore, the "Grand Old Man" of boxing, with his successful defense of light heavyweight honors he has held since 1952, against Yvon Durelle of Canada, once again emerged as The Ring's Fighter of The Month. Moore's kayo over the Canuck was his second, their first bout, also a title affair, last December having won Fight of The Year honors.

The victory by unanimous decision scored by world flyweight champion Pascual Perez in his title bout with Kenji Yonekura in Tokyo gave the "Mighty Mite" the runner up spot behind Moore. The loss dropped Yonekura down from 9 to 10, with Johnny Caldwell of Ireland trading places with him. Joe Medel of Mexico jumped from 6th to 3rd following his impressive win over Jose Lopez in a fight that saw Medel gain the Mexican bantamweight crown. Ramon Arias of Venezuela, Mimun Ben Ali of Spain and Ramon Calatayud of Venezuela all dropped down one peg to make way for Medel.

Lopez's loss to Medel, along with the kayo defeat suffered by another Mexican, Manuel Armenteros, shook up the bantamweights as Lopez dropped from third to fourth. Inactive Mario D'Agata of Italy dropped from 6th to 8th, with Freddie Gilroy of Ireland and Eder Jofre of Brazil each upped one notch to 6th and 7th. Juan Cardenas of Spain moved up from 10th to 9th and Edwin Sykes of Panama, who stopped Armenteros, joined the rankings in 10th position, replacing his victim.

Sonny Liston, hard hitting Philadelphian who ran off his eighteenth straight win when he kayoed Nino Valdes, advanced from fourth to third among the heavyweights. Eddie Machen of Redding, Calif., also was upped one notch following his kayo of Reuben Vargas. Machen is now fourth with Henry Cooper of England down from 3rd to 5th. Alonzo Johnson of Pittsburgh, loser to Alex Miteff dropped to tenth, with Willie Pastrano dropped out of ratings to make room for Miteff in eighth. Powell fell one place to ninth.

There was little action and no changes among the middleweights, with the signing of the title bout between Ray Robinson and eighth-ranked Paul Pender the big news of the month. The match is set for Boston the first week of December.

Former champion Virgil Akins returned to the win path among the welterweights, while Ralph Dupas and Gaspar Ortega also recorded victories, but no changes were made among the top ten.

The surprise victory scored by eighteen year old Raymundo (Battling) Torres of Mexico over Paul Armstead was the highlight of the lightweight action. The win gained for Torres a place in the ratings, replacing his countryman Mauro Vasquez, who was defeated by Armstead in a previous fight. Torres is listed 10th, with Paul dropping from 6th to 8th. Len Matthews went up from 10th to 7th with Dave Charnley upped from 7th to 5th. Johnny Gonsalves dropped from 5th to 6th and Guy Gracia remained in 9th spot.

The loss suffered by Flash Elorde of the Philippines to unranked lightweight Solomon Boysaw cost him dearly as he dropped from 3rd to 7th with Harold Gomes, Paul Jorgensen, Gracieux Lamperti and Sergio Caprari each upped one notch among the featherweights.

Here are the month's leading results:

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Zora Folley whipped Howard King, 10.
Sonny Liston kayoed Nino Valdes, 3.
Eddie Machen halted Reuben Vargas, 6, and defeated Garvin Sawyer, 10.

PROSPECTS OF THE MONTH

HEAVYWEIGHT—Rey Lopez, Cuba
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT—Sammy Jordan, Union City, N. J.
MIDDLEWEIGHT—Freddie Teidt, Ireland
WELTERWEIGHT—Joe Salci, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
LIGHTWEIGHT—Victor Guzman, Mexico
FEATHERWEIGHT—Eddie Whitaker, Louisville, Ky.
BANTAMWEIGHT—Elysee Castre, Spain
FLYWEIGHT—Gopal Valdez, Mayala

Alonzo Johnson outboxed Willie Pastrano, 10, but lost to Alex Miteff, 10. Pat McMurtry kayoed Earl Atley, 3.

Willi Besmanoff defeated Marty Marshall, 10. George Logan kayoed Ezzard Charles, 8. Curley Lee kayoed Paul Andrews, 6, and Johnny Mayes, 3.

Don Warner and Billy Hunter drew, 8. Warnell Lester halted Larry Zernitz, 9. Duke Sabedong defeated Clarence Williams, 10. Pete Rademacher kayoed Tommy Thompson, 5. Terry Lewis kayoed Roger Balliett, 1.

Joe Hemphill defeated Johnny Gray, 10. Tunny Hunsaker outpointed Hoesa Chapman, 12, but lost to Ernest Terrell, 8.

Dave Shoulders defeated Sam White, 8. Tom McNeely defeated Lou Jones, 6. Joey Rowan stopped Ken Kelley, 3. Charley Hood halted Willie Bell, 3.

Frankie Daniels and Lou Bailey drew, 6. Mike McMurtry kayoed Ken Kaas, 4. Rey Lopez beat Pablo Valderrain, 6. Morris Neeley stopped Paul Simpson, 3.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

World champion Archie Moore retained his title by kayoing Yvon Durelle, 3.

Harold Johnson returned to action and kayoed heavyweight Johnny Yorke, 6.

Von Clay stopped Clarence Hinnant, 6. Juan Burgues defeated Antonio Diaz, 10. Joe Dorsey stopped Dean Bogany, 9. Jim Hegerle defeated Ernie Smith, 10. James Jackson beat Willie Barnes, 6.

Bobby Hughes kayoed Billy Lewis, 4. Alvin Green defeated Alvin Williams, 10. Joe Gomes whipped Don Prout, 8.

Ken Payne won from Lou King, 6. John Balla outscored Tiger Jackson, 6. Kirk Barrow kayoed John Handley, 2. Guillermo Dutchmann defeated Aurelio Diaz, 10. Junius Washington stopped Ted Poole, 3. Ted Doncaster kayoed Hank Jones, 1.

Bob McKinney kayoed Marvin Ross, 3. Ike Thomas decisioned J. D. Marshall, 8. Percy Bradley defeated Joey Gleason, 6. Dewayne Garris stopped Billy DeSoto, 3, but lost to Andy Fritcher, 6. Nick Turner defeated Ted Martin, 6, and Sherman Williams, 8.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Rudy Ellis stopped Bobby Boyd, 5.

Jimmy Martinez outscored Jimmy Beecham, 10. Ernie Burford upset Charley Joseph, 10. Holly Mims outboxed Henry Hank, 10. Joey Giardello nipped Chico Vejar, 10.

Mick Leahy stopped Clive Stewart, 6. Dowthong Singphapalop won the Orient middleweight title by kayoing Young Paulino, 5.

Andres Selpa kayoed Andres Villalba, 8, and Antonio Nigri, 8. Ubaldo Sacco won from Alfonso Moreno, 10.

Eddie Andrews won from Al (Tiger) Williams, 10. Dick Goldstein beat Ernie Gipson, 10.

Paul Diaz won from Leon Stewart, 10.

Joe DeNucci kayoed Charlie Washington, 5. Blair Richardson stopped Al Duarte, 5.

Santiago Gutierrez kayoed Roy Sparks, 11. Oscar Burton defeated Art Glass, 8, Art beat Beau Jack Brown, 6. Rocky Fumerelle outscored Teddy Myrick, 8.

Ernie Hill defeated Levi Garcia, 8. Cal Houston defeated Willie Barnes, 6. Ted Doncaster kayoed Willie Royce, 1 .

Jimmy Watkins defeated Chuck McCready, 6. Doug Odo stopped Bruno Boucher, 4. Melvin Bennett defeated Maurice Cummings, 10. Wayne Thornton defeated Jeff Jones, 6.

Art Turner halted Harvey Lammers, 6. Fred Roots defeated Dave Brown, 6. Al McCoy kayoed Aman Peck, 1. Jesse Smith kayoed Walcott Jackson, 4.

Columbus Marshall whipped Henry (Kid) Burton, 6. Toro Saenz beat Francisco Echeverria, 8, and Willie Moon, 6. Cornelius McPaul stopped Harold Davis, 5. Wayne Thornton beat Ed Hickman, 6.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Ralph Dupas defeated Frankie Ryff, 10.

Former champion Virgil Akins whipped Stan Harrington, 10.

Gaspar Ortega outscored Benny Paret, 10. Cirilo Gil won the South American title by stopping Mertinino Pereyra, 10.

British Empire champion George Barnes retained his title outpointing Billy Todd, 15. Jorge Fernandez kayoed Joe Miceli, 7, but lost to Federico Thompson, 10. Gomeo Brennan stopped Paul Diaz, 9.

Adalberto Ochoa halted Juan Padilla, 8. Phil Moyer won from Augustine Rosales, 10. Paddy DeMarco defeated Tommy Garrow, 10.

Tony Dupas decisioned Paddy DeMarco, 10, and Clarence Cook, 10. Charley (Tombstone) Smith stopped Reybon Stubbs, 7.

Emile Griffith won from Kid Fichique, 10. Everado Armenta kayoed Bob Terrance, 8, while Bob beat Jess Bogart, 10, and Armenta kayoed Enrique Esqueda, 5, but lost to Moro Garcia, 10.

Pat Lowry kayoed Dillard Jackson, 1. Dave Cervantes kayoed Marcelo Vargas, 3. Renato Torres halted Jose Paredes, 8.

Babe Marciano stopped Chucho Moreno, 4. Johnny McKoin won from Al Boudreaux, 10. Reno Dominguez won over Joe Alfaro, 8.

Willie Moran kayoed Benny Sowell, 3. Len Sparks beat Antonio Rivera, 8. Hank Georgio whipped Don Vincent, 6. Tony Ibarra beat Manuel Favela, 8, and drew with Andres Herrera, 8.

Johnny Capitano stopped Roger Ettienne, 3. Baby Concer kayoed Gorila Rivas, 2. Terry Flores whipped Blitz Najar, 8. Eddie Jones beat Dean Crisp, 6. Tom Williams whipped Clarence Riley, 10. Bed Medina halted Edgar Jones, 3.

Antonio Marcilla whipped Smiley Packer, 6. Jimmy Walters kayoed Kid Castro, 6. Roman Nava stopped Kid Tlaxcala, 1. Frank Smith kayoed Mickey Craft, 2. Ronnie Cohn kayoed Leslie Bagi, 2.

Johnny Gilden stopped Saxey Robinson, 4. Frankie Ramirez won from Vince Davi, 6. Eddie Woods and Whitey Porr drew, 6. Bobby Pena beat Artie Wilson, 6. Curtis Cokes kayoed Garland Randall, 1.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Battling Torres upset Paul Armstead, 10.
Johnny Gonsalves outboxed Ray Riojas, 10.

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"I WAS DOPED"

said Jeffries—

But 49 Years Fail to Back Him Up. Ring Detective Rules Honest Knockout Victory For Johnson in 1910.

By DAN DANIEL

ON July 4, 1910, under a blazing sun at Reno, Nevada, Jack Johnson, onetime dock roustabout from Galveston, Texas, became the recognized heavyweight champion of the world by knocking out Jim Jeffries in the fifteenth round.

Jeffries, undefeated king of the heavyweights, had retired after stopping Jack Munroe in two rounds on August 26, 1904, at San Francisco, and had started a long chain of events which ring history now finds it difficult to clear up.

On July 3, 1905, at Reno, Marvin Hart, hardly a formidable antagonist, stopped Jack Root in twelve heats, with Jeffries the referee.

"Hart is the new champion," Jeffries announced. The Boilermaker overlooked the fact that the title belonged to the public, that, if he meant his retirement to be taken as a fact, there would have to be an elimination tournament, and that as past champion he had no right and authority to designate his successor.

However, those were the days of loose ring government, and nobody stood up to say "Nay" to Jeff.

Well, on February 23, 1906, at Los Angeles, Tommy Burns beat Hart in 20 rounds and became the new champion.

On December 26, 1908, in Sydney, Australia, Burns was trounced by Johnson, the police interfering in the fourteenth round.

Thus, when 1909 dawned, Johnson was the heavyweight champion of the world by ukase tracing back to Jeffries' own decision.

However, there was widespread dissatisfaction with the new state of affairs.

JOHNSON'S RISE SPAWNS WHITE HOPE CLAMOR

For one thing, many Negro haters refused to accept Johnson as the champion. He was the first non-Caucasian to win the title. Perhaps Peter Jackson could have beaten Jack to that distinction but Jackson never got a hearing from John L. Sullivan, whose claim to the world championship thus was left in a dubious state.

Johnson's victory over Burns started the White Hope era. Boxing followers of today may find it extremely difficult to comprehend the psychology which lay behind this campaign "on behalf of the White Race".

Out of this White Hope drive emerged Jess Willard, the giant Kansan, who may or may not have stopped Johnson at Havana on April 5, 1915, in 26 rounds. There were many oddities about this affair and we have gone over them in this Ring Detective series rather in detail.

Well, here was Johnson bossing the heavyweights, and here were the White Hopers, and there was the retired Jeffries, who had opened a saloon, was doing well at it, and was picking up a lot of weight, and disinclination to re-enter the ring no matter how rich the prize.

Misguided friends of Jeffries continued to work on him. Little by little he yielded. They broke him down cruelly, and cruel were the effects of the thing into which he was forced.

And so it came about that after a lot of palaver, a lot of discussion as to where the fight should have been held, a lot of charges both uttered and hinted at, a vast collection of innuendo, Johnson met Jeffries and ended the Boilermaker's ring career, once and for all.

EDGREN FIRST TO HOLLER, "HE WAS DOPED"

Now, then, how does this affair belong in a Ring Detective series? After a lapse of only one year short of half a century, what facts stand out with greater clarity than they did in 1910? How much do we know now that we did not know then?

Neither contestant is around to take the stand. Jeffries died on March 3, 1953, on his ranch at Burbank, Cal. Johnson was killed on June 10, 1946, at Raleigh, N. C., in an automobile smashup.

The Jeffries-Johnson fight lasted nearly 45 minutes. There is some question as to whether Johnson carried the comeback effort a considerable distance after Jeffries had ceased to be a real antagonist.

The day after the Reno fight, Bob Edgren, sports editor,

columnist and artist of the New York Evening World, Jeff's pal and confidant, announced that the white man had been drugged.

Bob insisted that somebody had doped Jeff's tea. This was interesting from many angles, not the least of which was the revelation that Jeff was a tea drinker.

Weeks later, recovering from the shellacking at Catalina Island, Jeffries said, "I am positive that I was the victim of trickery. Something was done to me. It would have been impossible for me to break down so suddenly in the condition I was in, unless someone got to me in an underhanded way.

"That I was tampered with is a certainty. Eight days before the fight—I remember it was on a Saturday morning—I went on a fishing trip. We had breakfast while out, and when I returned that afternoon I went to bed and to sleep.

"From that day I was never myself. I wanted to sleep all of the time. At first I thought I had been working too hard and that a rest for a couple of days would fix me up all right."

BOILERMAKER WAS PUZZLED BY A "TIRED FEELING"

"But the laziness never left me," Jeffries continued. "From day to day I tried to make myself believe that I was all right, but the tired feeling would always grab me after dinner and I could do nothing but loaf.

"I also was attacked with dysentery, for which not even the doctors could account, for I had been extra careful of myself the last two weeks of training.

"To show you just how strong it was handed to me, I did not recover from either the dope or the dysentery until I had been at Catalina for two weeks.

"Why don't the experts account for the lifeless hulk that staggered around the Reno ring?

"The day of the fight I only remember going down the aisle toward the ring. I cannot recall a single thing before or after that.

"If I could have got my brain working, I would have asked Tex Rickard to call off all bets.

"I know nothing of the fight except what I have been told. They say I took my introduction, with my legs spraddled apart and did not even bow to a tremendous ovation. Can you imagine me being such a fool? But I don't even remember the ovation.

"Once, must have been in the sixth or seventh round, a punch to the jaw cleared my brain for a minute. I shook my head, trying to get myself together. But before I got another punch I went back to the dopey condition.

"I was not knocked senseless. Of course, I would have been if Sam Berger had not interfered. A woman could have beaten me that day."

"CROOKEDNESS COST ME FIGHT," JIM CONCLUDES

"Deep down in my heart, I know that crookedness cost me the fight," Jeff insisted. "I have my suspicions as to the guilty parties and what hurts the most is that I suspect men who pretended to be most friendly toward me.

"I was doped or drugged in some way, to a certainty. I have letters giving hints regarding the job. Some day the truth will come out.

"I am positively through with the fight game. I shall never step into a ring again. That is final."

Rickard, who promoted and refereed the fight, announced that he supported Jeffries' charges of having been doped. Tex hoped to be able to work up a return match. But he failed. Jeffries kept his word. He never fought again. He had learned that, doped or not, they never come back.

For weeks before the fight, there were rumors of a fix, but not with Johnson the winner.

It was said that gamblers had approached Johnson, and that he had shown interest in a proposition that he sell out.

John L. Sullivan, touring the country as a temperance lecturer, announced that for Jeffries to win, the fight would have to be a fake.

Now, the evidence is in. Jeffries, born April 15, 1875, was 35 when he faced Johnson. The Negro, born March 31, 1878, was 32.

Jeffries had been out of action for six years. Johnson had been fighting steadily, figuring in 39 bouts while Jeffries was in retirement.

Johnson still was hungry, Jeffries had retired with plenty of money to take care of himself and his wife for the rest of their lives. At least, that's what the Boilermaker said when he announced that he would not fight again. The years showed that he had been too optimistic, financially.

"A PITIFUL TRAGEDY," REX BEACH WROTE

Writing for a syndicate, Rex Beach, the novelist, reported the Reno fight and announced that at no time had Jeffries demonstrated the old vigor, punch and spark. Rex added that he doubted if Jeffries in his heyday could have beaten Johnson. This brought a storm of protest from Jeffries adherents everywhere.

Beach wrote, "It was a pitiful, pitiful tragedy. Time had outwitted the keenest of us and instead of the Jeffries we had known, and had come to think was still among us, we saw but the shell of a man, fair to the eye and awe-inspiring in his shape, to be sure, but empty of youth's vigor.

"The spark had died, the years had done their work. No fierceness of will, no giant determination, could fan it to a flame again, and so he lost."

Beach went on to praise Johnson, and to wonder if the brain of Negro fighters ever would match their physical

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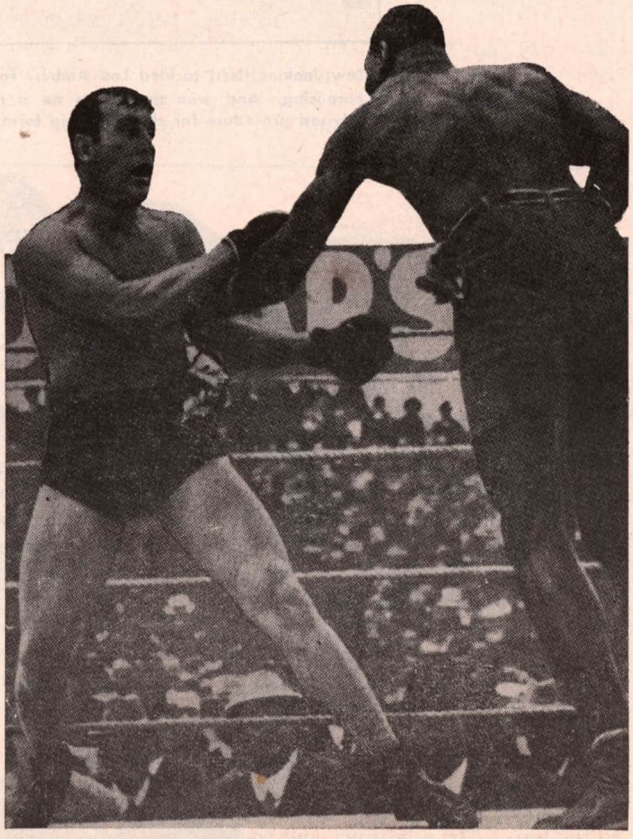
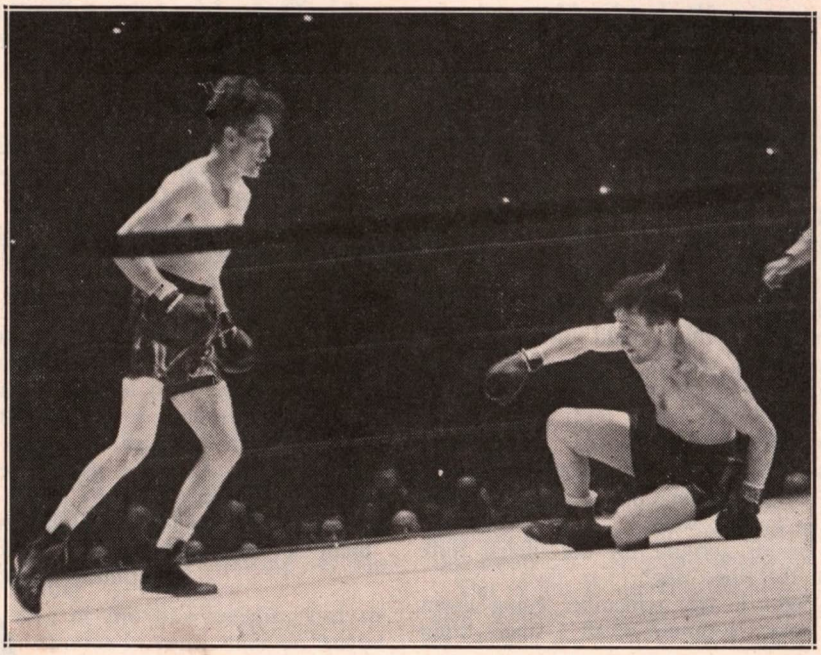


When Jim Jeffries (left), who had retired undefeated, returned to the ring in 1910 at Reno, Nevada in an attempt to regain the crown from Jack Johnson he had to shed 100 pounds and he was just a shell of his former great self. Stories of his having been drugged have never been substantiated.

YOU GOTTA DO IT THE HARD WAY



Lew Jenkins (left) tackled Lou Ambers for the lightweight title in 1940 after a night of carousing. And won the crown on a three round kayo. But this is not accepted or advised procedure for championship form.

By LESTER BROMBERG

BY his admission, Lew Jenkins had a skinful the night he knocked out Lou Ambers for the lightweight championship—and on nights of other successes. Maxie Rosenbloom, when he was light heavyweight champion, never missed an afternoon at Billy Grupp's Gym in New York—to play poker. Harry Greb, playboy middleweight champion and an all-time great, boasted that he could shift gears from lover to larruper any given day and still be a winner.

These amusing recollections, told and retold, have taken on an aura of significance out of proportion to their place in boxing history. To the careless thinker, they represent an easy way to the top . . . be a beatnick and you've got it made.

Fact may or may not be stranger than fiction but, in the big picture, it swings a bigger stick. Study the entire field of fighting, past and present, and what emerges is this—those who prepare themselves the most thoroughly get the most consistently good results.

Methods, ideas and national customs vary. By American standards, Ingemar Johansson was all wrong in having his family (and fiancee) at camp here for his fight with Floyd Patterson, which became his upset of Floyd Patterson. By European, and especially Scandinavian, standards, his programming was perfectly sound.

One thing must be reckoned as constant, regardless of all else. That's overall purpose. The true gauge is the one that tells clearly (1) which attitude is likely to achieve its goal, (2) which attitude is bound to leave its practioner professionally bankrupt.

In some cases, including those mentioned above, the boxer involved had put in a bedrock of hard work before it became fashionable for him to parade his profligate side. Prior to the arrival of fame and fortune, necessity and competitive urge had toughened him and schooled him in the basics. As the public discovered, it took a heap of misbehaving to raze the entire physical power plant.

But, by the same token, those willing to give nature some cooperation were bound to get the most out of their potential.

Within modern generations the most clean-cut examples were Gene Tunney and Rocky Marciano, both of whom retired with the heavyweight championship. Also, in each case there was an

ugly-duckling aspect. Each had been derided as a topflight prospect when in his formative phase.

"I see much in common between us in goals, if not in styles of fighting," Tunney suggested recently.

What he meant was the punishing conditioning routines to which they became accustomed. Roadwork was religion to Gene, as it was to Rocky. Bag-punching was the bible which unfolded their fistic scriptures.

For months before an important fight Tunney, in some secluded spot in the woods, would run and tramp endlessly. "My legs were the mainspring of my operation," he recalled. "I never lost sight of it. . . .

"What good was the slickest left jab or stiffest right cross if you couldn't move up to the line of fire quickly and confidently with it? And how useful are any punches if, when somebody else is attacking, you can't get out of the way?"

His two victories over Jack Dempsey, the most prized of his career, these Gene can boil down to the one point of superiority.

"At Philadelphia I knew that Dempsey, idle three years, couldn't rouse himself to a fast-moving start. I knew I could. I moved into him in the first round, lanced him with a left jab and then put everything I had into a right hand. It shocked him and hurt him. It was a police action that made the rest of the 10 rounds easy for me.

At Chicago, just a year later, he had to be better and he was. But, when he did nail me in the seventh round and knocked me down—out, some say, which is strictly their opinion only—I could call on my legs to carry me out of trouble. And to get the initiative back into my hands, something people forget I was able to do.

Speaking as an observer of others, Tunney made the point that Marciano won the title from Jersey Joe Walcott as much on his road-tempered stocky underpinning as on his explosive right in the 13th round.

He went back to the first round of that fight, when Walcott, a perfect gunner for a single shot, button-hooked Rocky on the jaw and sat him down abruptly.

He asked: "Remember how he bounced up and took the fight to Walcott?"

Without awaiting obvious confirmation, Tunney went on: "If he hadn't, he might have been knocked out in that round. He stormed back at him because he was resilient. He had been faithful in his roadwork. In so doing, he achieved a miracle—he put springs into those bulky thighs and calves of his. I dare say no fighter of his build ever got as much out of his legs as Rocky. To repeat, I also imagine no other fighter of those proportions worked as hard to develop them."

Marciano, at another time and unaware of Gene's analysis, had touched on the same point.

"When I was just starting as an amateur, it was a struggle for me to go three rounds. It was plain labor, like the work I'd done on the road gangs for a public utility company.

"Then, when Al Weill got to managing me and Charley Goldman looked after my training, they stepped up my running. From a mile or so, it got to be four, five or six.

"After that, distance in a fight meant nothing. I had spring, bounce, whatever you want to call it. Getting caught early, as in that Walcott fight, wasn't hard to recover from, my legs were ready for it. I had Charley to thank for it."

In drumfiring into his head other hard-learned lessons, he also had Goldman to thank.

"You should of seen the way he (Rocky) used to try to jab when I first got him," the shrewd little conditioner has said.

"He was 'way up on his toes and his glove was almost upside-down. One little shove and you'd knock him off balance. . . . I showed him how to stand flat-footed, to turn his glove so that the back of his hand was up and to hide behind his left shoulder. Also to turn in a little, so that he got extra distance for his short arms.

"As you can guess, showing this to a fellow was one thing, for him to keep practicing it 'til he learned it was something else. But he stayed with it, hour after hour, day after day.

"He made mistakes, I made corrections. Still, at the end, the worst jabber had turned into a damn good one."

Charley's face broke into a grin. It was a reminiscence. He told how he'd been summoned as a witness when a Brockton, Mass., bus driver, who'd had Marciano as a kid, sued to get control of his contract as a pro. The claim was that he taught Rocky how to fight. Getting the court's permission to demonstrate, Goldman illustrated the change which had to be made in his jab. The judge listened appreciatively. The case was not won by the plaintiff.

The further back one explores, the more evidence you find that the hard way is the traditional way to fit one's self for traversing the rapids of the ring.

In his autobiography, Daniel Mendoza, eighteenth-century pioneer of the fistic art, laid down rules of training and diet. He prescribed road work, "20 miles each day," sparring "10 to 12 rounds" and, for food, "two pounds of beef at evening, raw-centered, with stale bread in limited quantity."

In the late nineteenth century Prof. Mike Donovan, top authority of his time, added his dictums. These were more explicit but followed the same pattern.

The professor called for two road jaunts each morning, one an "eye-opener" of a mile and a half, then a

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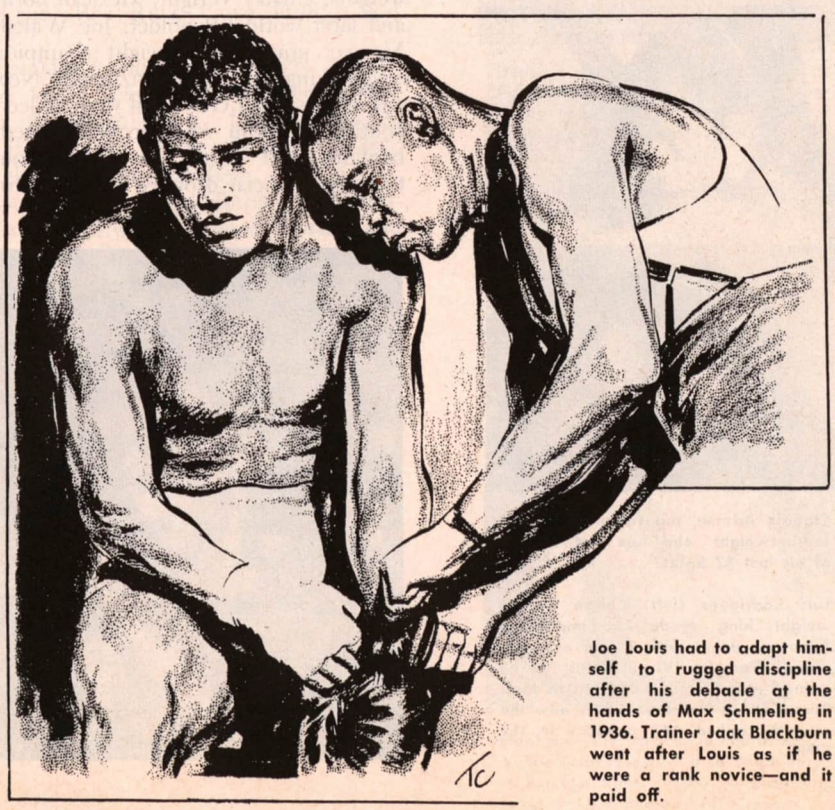
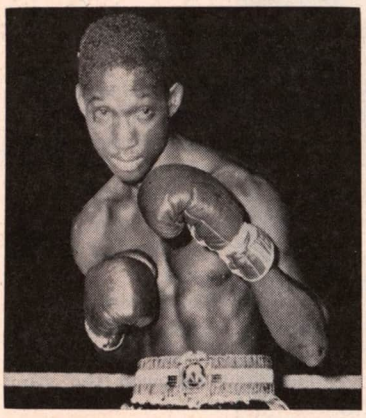
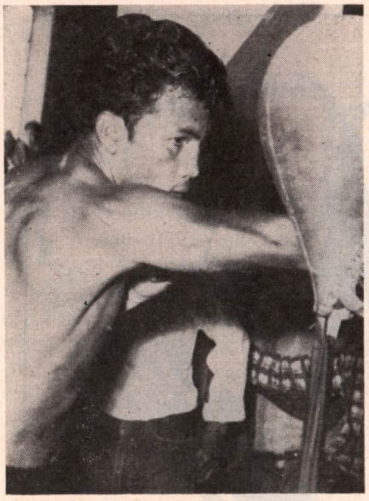


Joe Louis had to adapt himself to rugged discipline after his debacle at the hands of Max Schmeling in 1936. Trainer Jack Blackburn went after Louis as if he were a rank novice—and it paid off.

One of the top flyweights in the world is Mexico City's Joe Medel who just won the Mexican bantamweight title.



Sugar Boy Nando, middleweight champion of the Dutch West Indies who recently kayoed Charlie Cotton. A real crowd pleaser.



Claudio Adame, top ranking Mexican featherweight who has lost only 2 of his last 42 fights.

Luis Rodriguez (left) Cuban welterweight king made an impressive American debut with a win over ex-world champion Virgil Akins, as he gained a unanimous decision in their Miami Beach TV bout. Luis is now the seventh ranked 147 pounder in the RING.

THE Latin LOOK

By LEW ESKIN

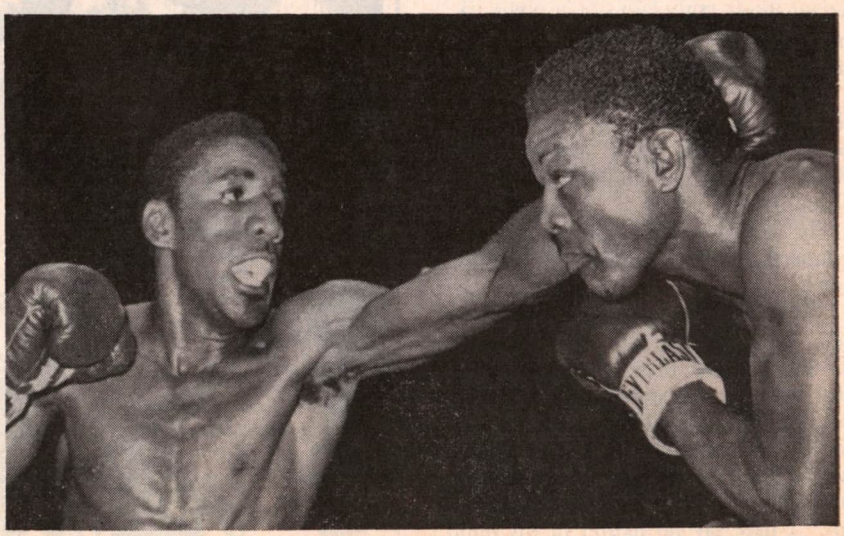
IN the past fifty years, as boxing has spread throughout the world to become the number one international sport, fighters from many widely separated parts of the Globe have fought their way into the spotlight.

As the mecca of boxing, the United States has been the focal point of their ring activities and many a fighter from a distant shore has become the toast of American fans. The latest, of course, are Ingemar Johansson, of Sweden, and Joe Becerra, of Mexico.

Over the years some great and not so great boxers have come to the U. S. from Latin America, but never so many as there are today.

Latin America has sent "The Wild Bull of the Pampas," Luis Angel Firpo; and "The Cuban Bon-bon," Kid Chocolate. Firpo came within an ace of winning the heavyweight crown from Jack Dempsey and Chocolate established claims on the featherweight title and won the Junior Lightweight crown.

Today two Latins rule as world champions, Becerra, of Mexico, and flyweight Pascual Perez, of the Argentine. From the past, Sixto Escobar the great little Puerto Rican who held both bantamweight and featherweight titles, Lauro Salas, the Mexico crowd pleaser who was lightweight king, Panama Al Brown, who ruled the bantamweights, Kid Gavilan "The Cuban Hawk" who bossed the welterweights, Chalky Wright, Mexican born Californian who was N.B.A. featherweight and later world titleholder; Joe Walcott of Barbados, B.W.I.; Battling Shaw, of Mexico, junior welterweight champion; Juan Zurita, of Mexico, N.B.A. lightweight king, and Baby Arizmendi, New York state featherweight boss and claimant of the world crown, all were hailed as champions as was Raul (Raton) Macias, another Mexican who recently retired after holding the N.B.A. and American bantamweight laurels. It was Alphonse Halimi, from whom Becerra won the title, that Macias dropped his claim to the crown.



Naming some of the outstanding from each Latin American country we find, from Mexico, the ageless Kid Azteca; Eddie Cerda; Luis Castillo; Carlos Malacara; Humberto Zavala; Baby Ortiz; Nick Moran, Baby Casanova; Rodolfo Ramirez; Julio Cesar Jimenez; and of course Mexican Joe Rivers.

Cuba, starting with Ramon Castillo, has sent forth Black Bill; Diego Sosa; Filo Echevarria; Chico Varona; Miguel Acevedo; Kid Tunero; Lino Garcia; Black Pico; Isidoro Gastanega; Orlando Echevarria; Omelio Agramonte; Isaac Logart, Nino Valdes, Julio Mederos, Puppy Garcia, Miguel Diaz, and Orlando Zulueta.

From Puerto Rico have come Pedro Montanez, Angel Cilvall, Coco Kid, and Jose Basora. Pete Jackson, the first West Indian to achieve fistic fame was from St. Croix; Hankin Barrow from San Domingo; Hector Constance and Yolande Pompey, from Trinidad. Kid Silver of Jamaica.

From Central America, Tuzo Portuguez of Costa Rica; Indiana Quintana, Isidrio Martinez, Federico Plummer, and Panama Joe Gans, of Panama; and Ludwig Lightburn, of British Honduras.

Argentina has led the way among the South Americans with Vittorio and Valentin Campolo; Luis Vicentini, Rafael Merentino, Eduardo Lausse, Jose Gatica, Fernando Menichelli, Alfredo Legay, and Cesar Brion. From Chile came Alberto Lovell, Justo Suarez, Stanislaus Loayza, Romero Rojas, and Arturo Godoy. Venezuela has Simon Chavez and Victor (Sonny) Leon.

A long and impressive list, but the catalogue of current top Latin fighters and upcoming prospects is as long, with even more countries getting into the act.

Mexico and Argentina, which boast two world champions, also list the most talent. Mexico has come up with its first real heavyweight threat in Alfredo Zuany, of Juarez, who lists Ezzard Charles and Bob Baker among his 27 victims.

In the latest Ring ratings there are five Mexicans, including Becerra. They are welter Gaspar Ortega, lightweight Battling Torres, bantam Jose Lopez, and flyweight Joe Medel.

Argentina and Venezuela present Perez and featherweight Ricardo Gonzalez of Argentina, and flyweights Ramon Arias and Ramon Calatayud of Venezuela. The other Latins listed are bantams Eder Jofre, of Brazil, Edwin Sykes of Panama and welter Luis Rodriguez, of Cuba.

Aside from the rated group Mexico has a number of topnotchers who have been ranked in the past or are close to being rated now, as well as a solid group who can hold their own with anyone in their weight classes. They are lightweights, Baby Vasquez, Carlos (Baby) Ortiz, Ezequiel Uribe, Mauro Vazuez, Al Vevarez, Carlos Arregui, Roberto Garcia, and Alfredo Urbina; featherweights, Victor Manuel Quijano, Ricardo Moreno, Fili Nava, Claude Adame, Ernesto Figueroa, Ernesto Parra, Kid Anahuac, Angel Guerrero, and Ramon Cervantes; bantamweights, Cain Rogero, Javier Garfias, Nacho Escalante, Pimi Barajas, Ignacio Pina and Eloy Sanchez; flyweights, Mario DeLeon, Ray Ruiz, Goyo Flores, Saul Becerill, and Jorge Sanchez.

From the Argentine are heavyweights Alex Miteff and Jose Georgetti; middleweights Hugo Medina, Victor Zalazar, and Andes Selpa; welterweights Martintino Pereyra, Cirilo Gil, Antonio Marcilla, Adolberto Ochoa, Jorge Fernandez and Federico Thompson, a transplanted Panamaian; lightweight Jamic Gine; bantamweight Ernesto Miranda, and flyweight Horaccio Acavallao.

Cuba, too, is loaded with talent with Doug Vaillant, Sugar Ramos and Santiago Martinez, featherweights, leading the list. Lightweights Chico Morales and Angel Garcia; welters Florentino Fernandez and Benny Paret; middleweights Paul and Guillermo Diaz; heavyweight Rey Lopez; bantamweights Orland Reyes, Felix Gutierriz, and flyweight Hiram Bacallao, listed.

Venezuela boasts of lightweights Carlos Hermandez and Vicente Rivas; feather Tony Padon; welter Raul Tovar; and flyweight Nelson Estrada. Brazil presents light heavy Luis Ignacio; welters Paulo DeJesus and Fernando Barreto; feather Sebastiao Nacimiento.

Chile has flyweight German Pardo; Colombia, Jack Hernandez a featherweight; Uruguay, light heavy Dogomar Martinez; flyweight Jupiter Mansilla and welter Walter Rodriguez.

Central America is also on the fistic upswing with Panama still the leading producer. Jesus Santamaria and Toto Ibarra are the two top men, the former a featherweight and the latter a bantam.

Hector Hicks another bantam, Claudio Martinez, likewise a 118 pounder, and Melvin Bourne, a feather, are the other topnotchers.

British Guiana, while really in South America, is grouped with the Central American countries as most of their fighters see action either in the West Indies or in the countries to the north. They have three fine prospects in welter Ivelaw Stephensen and lightweights Caesar Barrow and Cyclone Kid.

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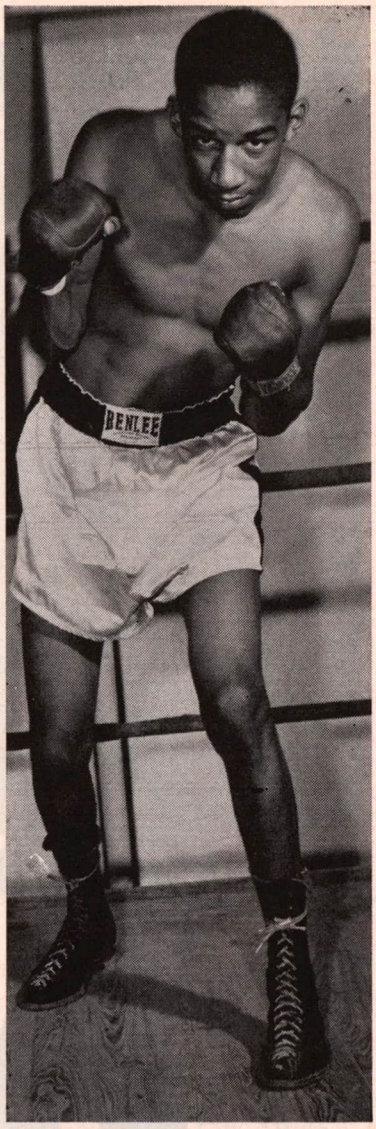


Doug Vaillant, tall talented Cuban lightweight, a powerful puncher, clever boxer, he recently defeated Jimmy Grow and Chico Rollins in American fights.

Hard punching Argentine middleweight Victor Zalazar who lost to Ralph Jones in his last fight. Victor, a promising scrapper, has beaten Wilf Greaves.

RING O'LEARY

First Junior Champion Now A Successful Chiropractor

By JOHNNY SALAK

WITH attention drawn to the revived junior divisions and a recent article in this magazine tracing the early history of these divisions it only seemed fitting and proper that in due time the man who was the first holder of a junior crown, Artie O'Leary, would turn up at the editorial offices of The Ring.

O'Leary, spry, chipper, well-tanned and in excellent physical condition for his years looked like he could step into the ring today and hold his own with the current crop of feather and lightweights. After all, when you boil it down, he is not that much older than Archie Moore.

O'Leary, who likes to reminisce about the good old days and has a bushelful of interesting stories about the great old time fighters, is a well-known physical conditioner with a degree in chiropractic and is a licensed masseur. But this is his story.

It was a half century ago that the O'Leary brothers began cutting a wide swath in boxing ranks, fighting out of New York's lower east side, along the river front. To be accepted a boy had to know how to fight, to protect himself at all times. Either you fought or you fell by the wayside. The O'Leary boys were exceptionally good fighters in a neighborhood of mixed nationalities and religions, though predominantly Irish.

It was at this point we wanted to ask him about the name O'Leary. It didn't seem kosher. Artie smilingly explained. *"Our family name was Lieberman. My brother Nat got tagged with the name O'Leary, it stuck, and when I started fighting I used it."*

Boys had their gangs and their gang wars even in those days, but there was one notable difference. The only weapons used were bare fists; no knives, no zip guns, no iron bars.

"After brother Nat had whipped the leader of the gang from the west side of the Manhattan Bridge, which was Al Smith's neighborhood, a big fat politician came looking for the Jewish lad who was beating up boys from his district and had topped it with the latest whipping," recalled Artie.

"Don't get the impression that we were hoodlums or anything like that," O'Leary said. *"We grew up in the old 4th Ward of Manhattan, where you had to fight if you just walked down the street. There were good guys and some bad characters down there and many clean-living, successful persons got their start on New York's lowest east side. My brother just happened to be a handy guy with his dukes and won many of those street fights.*

"Well, to get back to the story—this man, whose name was Arthur O'Leary, told Nat that if he could fight as good as his reputation on the docks was he would arrange a few fights for him at the Hamilton Athletic Club and pay him for fighting. The club was located in a loft above a livery stable on Cherry and Oliver Streets. He insisted on one thing, though—Nat Lieberman would have to change his name, and he suggested my brother take his—O'Leary.

"Brother Nat took the name of this politician and also took him on as manager. Fighting as Young O'Leary he was getting $5 for four round fights. He fought there quite often, with success, went further, built a good ring reputation, but his career was short-lived. Brittle hands gave him trouble in most of his fights. I used to watch Dr. A. I. Blau, who is connected with the Board of Health at present, working on Nat's hands and that aroused in me the desire to become a physician."

In 1908 and 1910 Young O'Leary fought Johnny Coulon, bantamweight champion of the world, and at one time claimed the title. Today he is a dock inspector and is a judge at professional boxing shows.

"Well," continued Artie, *"I was a kid weighing only 57 pounds when Nat was fighting and a doctor advised that he take me to camp with him to build me up. After about a year and a half, I was up to 90 pounds."*

In 1910 Artie O'Leary entered the ranks as an amateur boxer, in the 105-pound class. In his first three bouts he scored one round knockouts. He fought as a simon-pure for six years and during that time lost but one decision, scoring 41 knockouts in 60 bouts. He beat every amateur

champion from 108 to 125 pounds and in 1914 fought Joe Lynch three times and won three decisions. It was the three whippings which prompted Lynch to forsake the simon-pures and turn professional. Lynch went on to become the world bantamweight champion.

"That one fight I lost was a rugged one, against Phil Franchini, the 105-pound champion. He earned the decision after four hard rounds of fighting," said Artie.

In 1914 Nat's hands were beyond repair and he had to quit the game. *"It was then I had to make a crucial decision,"* remembered O'Leary. *"It was up to me to start fighting for money instead of prizes. As a professional fighter I had to give all my time to training and therefore quit my studies at De Witt Clinton High School. With the end of school also vanished all my thoughts of ever becoming a doctor.*

He joined Billy Grupp's Gym, located up on 116th Street and 8th Avenue and bore down in earnest.

"There were many topnotchers training there for me to watch and work with. You could always learn from them. Benny Leonard, the greatest lightweight champion of all time, and Jack Britton, who held the welterweight crown, were always eager and ready to help a youngster like myself and their bag of tricks—well, almost all of them—was open to any youngster who was willing to put sincere effort into learning the trade."

Grupp's was the training grounds of the greats and in addition to Leonard and Britton, such outstanding fighters as Harry Wills, Kid Norfolk, Jim Coffey, Harry Greb, Ted Kid Lewis and Frankie Genaro made it their headquarters.

Artie O'Leary did well as a professional and went on to fight the best in the feather and lightweight divisions during a career that spanned a dozen years. In those days most bouts were of the no decision variety, but they were rugged encounters nevertheless. His record shows that he fought such men as Johnny Kilbane, featherweight champion; Danny Frush, British featherweight champion (three times); Willie Jackson, who was knocking them all out including Johnny Dundee; and Rocky Kansas, who won the lightweight title. He also fought Benny Leonard a ten round no decision bout in Albany, a fight which is missing from Leonard's record.

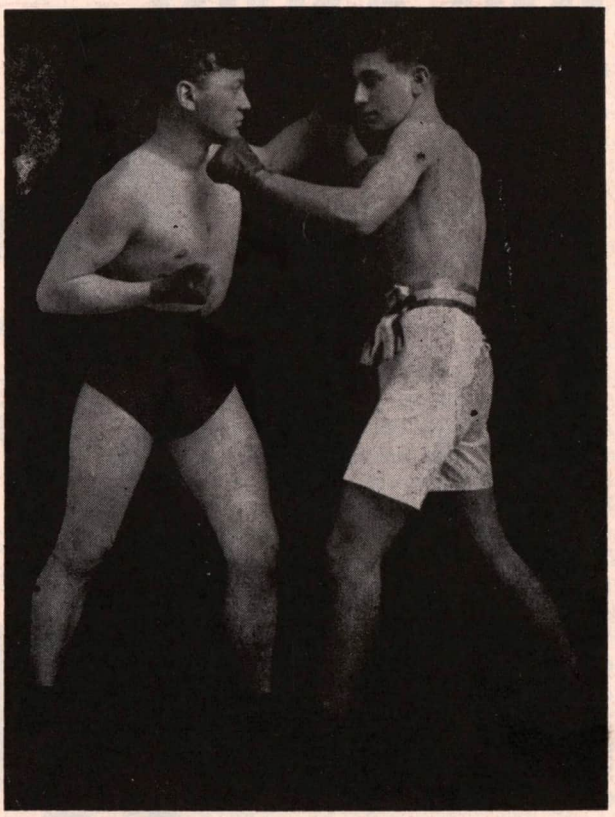
It was in 1917 that O'Leary gained the junior lightweight title, this being the first record of any man holding a junior crown. In elimination bouts, Jimmy Kane had whipped Jack Lawlor over twenty rounds, and O'Leary, in a ten rounder, had beaten Earl Baird.

On March 15th of that year Kane and O'Leary met in a fifteen round bout at Providence, R. I. to settle matters. He won the slugfest and laid claim to the title, holding the crown until 1919.

O'Leary again defeated Kane in a fifteen rounder, in 1920, at the Pioneer Sporting Club, New York, but with no title at stake. That same year the New York State Commission instituted the junior divisions and in 1921 Johnny Dundee won the junior lightweight championship.

Artie did a lot of fighting and touring after that. He served as sparring partner for both Benny Leonard and Jack Britton, whose styles he tried to emulate. But he realized he was going no place fast and had it in his mind to quit the fighting game. One of his last fights, in 1921, was against Earl Baird of San Francisco, the same Baird whom he had fought years before. Earl had become a lieutenant during World War One, had been a war ace and was a U. S. Army boxing champion. They fought ten gruelling rounds in the old Madison Square Garden.

O'Leary retired and was away from the ring for four years when he came back in 1925 for a few fights. He was doing fairly well, having knocked out Tommy Fay, winning over Joe Smith and losing to Tony Palmer when he met Frankie Fay in the Garden.



Artie O'Leary (left), as an amateur won many titles. Here he spars with another champion. In 1917 he became the first holder of a junior title, defeating Jimmy Kane in a fifteen rounder at Providence, R. I.

Artie scored a five round knockout but it proved his undoing. A hard right cross to the jaw put Fay down—but it also broke O'Leary's right hand. It was his last pro fight.

For a time O'Leary toured in vaudeville with Leach Cross but he settled down when he joined George Bothner's Gym, at 42nd Street in New York City. Within a few weeks, under the watchful eye of Bothner, he became an instructor. He was hurt while wrestling and no one seemed able to take the kink out of his back until he met Dr. Henry Braun, a chiropractor, who made him well. The smooth-working, clever doctor reawakened natural ability and interest in O'Leary and he decided to return to school. It was tough doing that at his age and keeping on at Bothner's but Artie plugged away and within the next eight years he earned three degrees—Doctor of Chiropractic, Massotherapist and Naturopathy.

O'Leary has worked with and helped scores of celebrities through the years. In 1934 he helped condition the American lawn tennis team for their matches against the French champions at the 7th Regiment Armory in New York. On the team were Frank Shields, Lester Stoeffen, Gregory Mangin and G. M. Lott. Opposing them were Jean Borotra, Andre Merlin, Paul Ferret and Christian Bousses. The American won all five of the matches.

In addition he has been of service to such stars as Joe E. Lewis, Lou Holtz, Lou Richman, Frank Mitchel, Jack Durant, Jane Cowl, Sally Rand and Ceci Evans.

For a time Artie had his offices in Manhattan but moved to Brooklyn because most of his patients are there. He is located at 231 Brightwater Court.

O'Leary has written much literature on the subject of physical fitness. Good health, Artie believes, begins with good posture. We straightened up, thanked him for the interview and saw him walk briskly off to catch the Brighton Beach Express.

DELANEY — RING WIZARD

By TED CARROLL

FIGHTERS of French Canadian ancestry have done quite well in the ring in proportion to their numbers. Yvon Durelle is the most recent to threaten a title. With a heavyweight champion listed among them—Tommy Burns (Noah Brusso), "Les Habitants" have been outstanding among "North of the Border" boxers. With due respect to Burns and to Jimmy M'Larnin who was born in Vancouver, B. C., and who was voted Canadad's greatest fighter by a Dominion jury some years ago, and to Nova Scotian natives, Sam Langford and George Dixon, many people feel that the best Canadian fighter of them all was Jack Delaney (Ovila Chapdelaine). He was U. S. reared but born in St. Francis, Canada.

Among those who held this opinion was the late Benny Leonard, who called Delaney the best light heavyweight of them all. "Delaney understood the art of self defense," explained the immortal Leonard, himself a paragon of clever boxing. And so Delaney did. He protected his handsome features so well, he was often called the "Bridgeport Adonis". Methodical rather than flashy, he fought with an unusual stateliness, preferring to counter rather than lead, and his punches were delivered with a powerful accuracy.

Raised in Bridgeport, Conn. Delaney first appeared in the ring in 1919, where his last name of Chapdelaine was speedily anglicized into "Jack Delaney". Beginning as a middleweight, he was a powerful puncher from the start, but at times he aroused some doubts as to his appetite for taking punishment.

This last failing proved a blessing in disguise for his cautious tendencies materialized into an expert defense, which backed by his potent punch, proved too much for his early opponents. By 1922 he was meeting the top men in the class. A startling one round knockout at the hands of Augie Ratner, stalled him momentarily but he came back to beat the New Yorker the following year, 1923.

Five years after his start, Delaney's skill and punch had crystallized into an all-round ability which enabled him to perform the remarkable feats of outboxing Tommy Loughran, on February 19, 1924, who even then was considered the cleverest man in the class and

a month later to knock out the most powerful puncher at his weight, Paul Berlenbach. The knockout of Berlenbach created a tremendous sensation.

The New Yorker entered the old Madison Square Garden ring the night of March 14, 1924, the most publicized knockout artist in New York's boxing history. He was called the "Astoria Assassin" and "Paul the Paralyzer". With ten straight kayos to his credit, he was favored over the stylish Delaney, so great was his local reputation. Berlenbach's wide open style and boring-in tactics fitted right into the groove of Delaney's wily "watch-and-wait-for-a clean shot" analysis, and Berlenbach was stopped in four rounds. The jammed Madison Square Garden throng, too stunned even to cheer, sat in amazement as though transfixed by the sight of the dreaded "Paralyzer" on the floor.

In those days no win was too big to keep a top line boxer out of the smaller cities, and after several months of campaigning on the road, in matches in which he did not always extend himself, Delaney returned to the old Garden in October of that year. Once again he was facing a new phenom, a boyish, black-haired willowly nineteen year old from Buffalo, Jimmy Slattery, who was being hailed by hometown exuberants as the greatest boxer since Jim Corbett.

In this meeting, which was limited to six rounds because of Slattery's age, the Buffalonian did look the cleverest boxer of all time. The "sprinters' distance" was made to his measure. Delaney was the most deliberate of fighters. He required time to adjust his sights and zero in his finishing blows. Slattery never gave him a stationary target, flitting about the ring high on his toes, like a ballet dancer, his arms dangling at his sides.

Delaney found his mastery thwarted by an elusiveness he had never before encountered. Slattery's speed of foot was the difference. His punches darted from the sides of his body with bewildering swiftness, penetrating Delaney's scientific defense with enough regularity to gain him the decision. Of course the short distance was all in his favor too, whether he could have survived a longer route left the onlookers guessing, but the victory was his.

This setback cost Delaney some prestige. When he returned to the Garden again to face a third ring sensation, he was the underdog to Deacon Tiger Flowers. If Slattery's style proved unsolvable to Delaney, Tiger Flowers' was an open book.

DELANEY BAGS A TIGER

The Tiger hadn't been beaten in forty-seven fights dating back to a kayo at the hands of heavier Kid Norfolk in 1923. His three round knockout of former middleweight champ Johnny Wilson in the Garden a month previous, had caused pugilistic pundits Hype Igoe and George B. Underwood to go into ecstacies over the Georgia Deacon. They called him "invincible".

However, the Tiger's aggressive, slapping, offense exposed his rather fragile chin to Delaney's precision-powered right hand uppercut and in the second round, on January 16, 1925, the Tiger was counted out when Delaney's punch made contact. Pandemonium broke out when Flowers went down. Paul Gallico described the scene the next morning in the N. Y. Daily News, "Men went mad, all about me, screaming and hugging each other in a frenzy of delight. . . ."

Amidst the wild demonstration, canny Walk Miller's agile brain did not cease working. The referee had hardly completed his count, before the astute Southerner, Flowers' manager, countered his fighter's setback with a blistering charge that a metal weight or "gimmick" had been concealed in Delaney's glove between rounds and this accounted for Flowers' sudden collapse. Ordinarily this claim would have been laughed off. But Delaney was managed by Peter (the Fox) Reilly, a man who well deserved his nickname, and the tale was taken seriously by fight people and writers, suspicious of Reilly through past experience.

Delaney tried it again with Slattery a month after the Flowers upset, and this affair was a repetition of the first meeting. The statuesque Canuck simply couldn't catch up with the dancing up-stater in six rounds, who whirled through the abreviated bout with even greater speed and finesse than he did the first time, again gaining the verdict.

Miller had convinced many that the first Flowers-Delaney meeting was off-color, so much so that another packed house bulged the Garden walls for the second meeting of the men on March 4, 1925. No one disputed after this that Jack Delaney was Tiger Flowers' nemesis, but here again a "hassle" developed.

With the Tiger on the floor and being counted out, Miller claimed that Delaney had landed a punch after the bell ending the third round, and Flowers was at first declared victor on a foul. This was overruled and the bout continued into the fourth stanza. The groggy Tiger was quickly dropped again and this time there was no doubt about it. As Delaney marched to his corner, he held up his open right glove to show it free of any "gimmick" or added persuader.

Persistent Tommy Loughran had been pressing Delaney for another chance and Delaney was never one to avoid any opponent. The two met in Philly on July 16, 1925. After ten rounds of smart boxing, Delaney at first received the verdict, but a mixup ensued and when everything was over, the official decision was a draw.

In the interim, Paul Berlenbach had come on to win the light heavyweight title from Mike M'Tigue. Delaney was favored to win the crown when he faced the old "Assassin" in the opening show of the new Madison Square Garden on December 11, 1925. This was a gala occasion with a banner turnout of the town's bigwigs from all walks of life. Berlenbach surprisingly retained his title, as Delaney proved below his expected form.

The year 1926 was the high spot in Delaney's career. Following his impressive knockout of former champ Mike M'Tigue in four rounds on March 15, 1926, the opinion was widely held that he was the best all-round fighter then active. Fighting heavyweights, he was equally devastating, beating tough Johnny Risko and knocking out clever Bud Gorman in a winning streak of fourteen straight in 1926. Included in this list was young Maxie Rosenbloom, who was in over his head against such a formidable foe at that time, but who attracted by the 2-1 odds that he would not go the limit, wagered his entire purse that he would last the distance and scampered through the ten rounds in Philadelphia to collect his bet.

BIGGEST EBBETS FIELD BOUT

On July 16, 1926, Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, was the scene of the biggest bout ever held there, for public interest, crowd, and gate receipts when hustling promoter Jack Fugazy staged the third Berlenbach-Delaney contest for the 175 pound crown. Delaney won, but Berlenbach gave a good account of himself in a match which still stands as the record holder for gate receipts in that division.

Although only a light heavyweight, Delaney was now rated such a heavyweight that, Dempsey and Tunney were mentioned as probable foes. Even Dempsey's idolizer, Bob Edgren conceded that Delaney's "trick punches", as he called them, gave him a chance against the champion. Sensing greener pastures, Delaney relinquished the smaller crown and cast his lot among the big fellows.

Here began one of the less distinguished phases of the great light heavyweight's history . . . a hand injury, aggravated by frequent between-bout strayings from strict training routine, ruined his prospects of ever forcing the issue of a chance of boxing's biggest title.

Jim Maloney, with whom he drew a record setting garden "house" of $183,000 on February 18, 1927, won a

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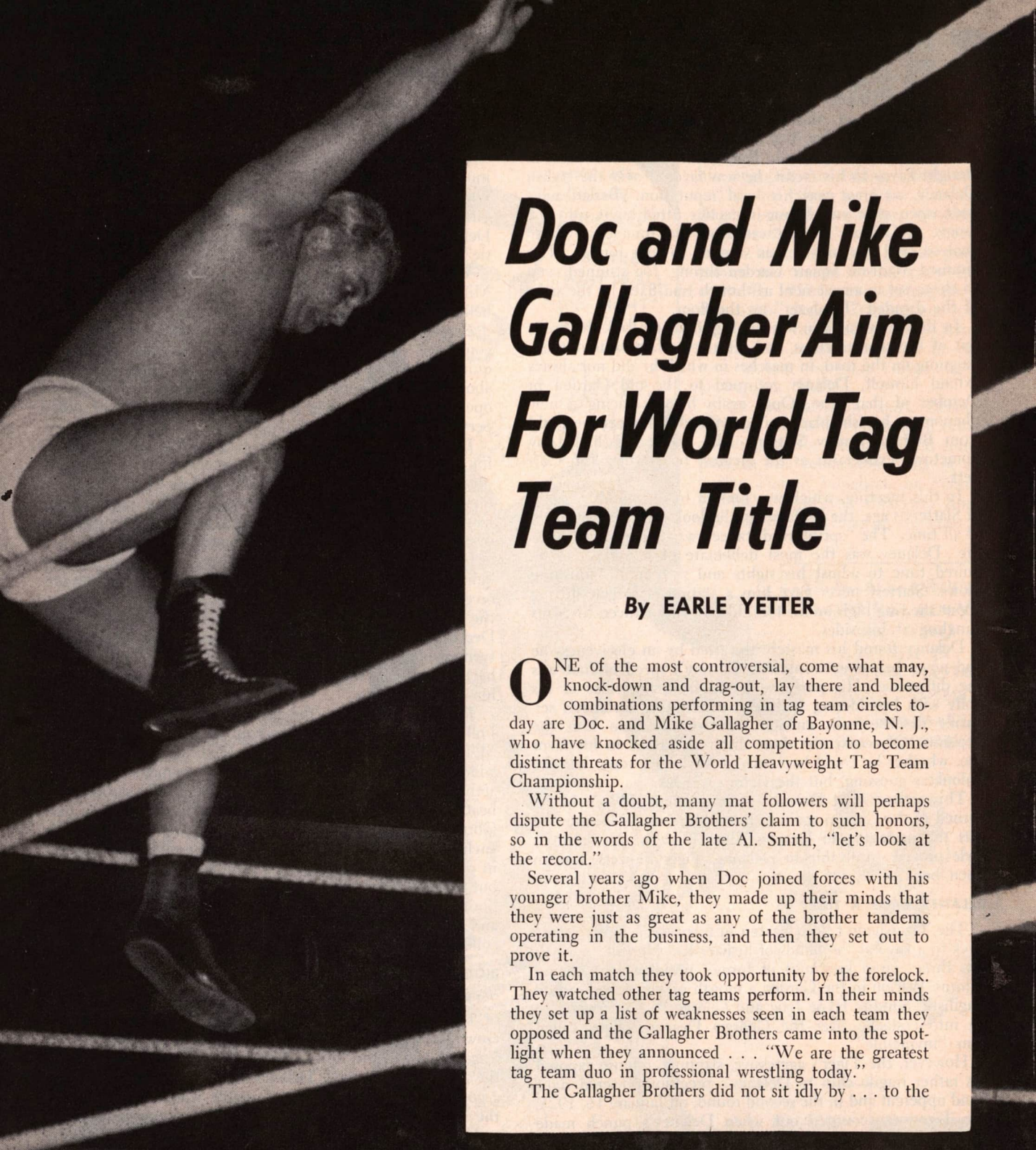


Doc and Mike Gallagher Aim For World Tag Team Title

By EARLE YETTER

ONE of the most controversial, come what may, knock-down and drag-out, lay there and bleed combinations performing in tag team circles today are Doc. and Mike Gallagher of Bayonne, N. J., who have knocked aside all competition to become distinct threats for the World Heavyweight Tag Team Championship.

Without a doubt, many mat followers will perhaps dispute the Gallagher Brothers' claim to such honors, so in the words of the late Al. Smith, "let's look at the record."

Several years ago when Doc joined forces with his younger brother Mike, they made up their minds that they were just as great as any of the brother tandems operating in the business, and then they set out to prove it.

In each match they took opportunity by the forelock. They watched other tag teams perform. In their minds they set up a list of weaknesses seen in each team they opposed and the Gallagher Brothers came into the spotlight when they announced . . . "We are the greatest tag team duo in professional wrestling today."

The Gallagher Brothers did not sit idly by . . . to the

contrary, they took advantage of every opportunity to advance themselves. It must be admitted that they had the courage of their convictions as they went about the task of cutting down all opposition and climbing upon the band-wagon as the outstanding tag team combination in 1959.

In Buffalo, N. Y., it was the Miller Bros. Big Bill and Ed. who had come up with victories over assorted tag team combinations, to hold the upper hand in Eastern action in Canada and New York State. But, early last spring Doc. and Mike Gallagher came to the Queen City of the lakes and announced, "We are The Greatest . . . We will take on any team in the World."

Promoter Pedro Martinez, who controls a vast wrestling domain in New York State, and one of the shrewdest match-makers in the country saw a great wrestling attraction if the Gallagher Brothers would consent to meet the Miller Brothers. The Gallaghers saw the opportunity of forcing the Millers into a showdown for New York State honors and readily accepted the challenge thrown into their laps by Martinez.

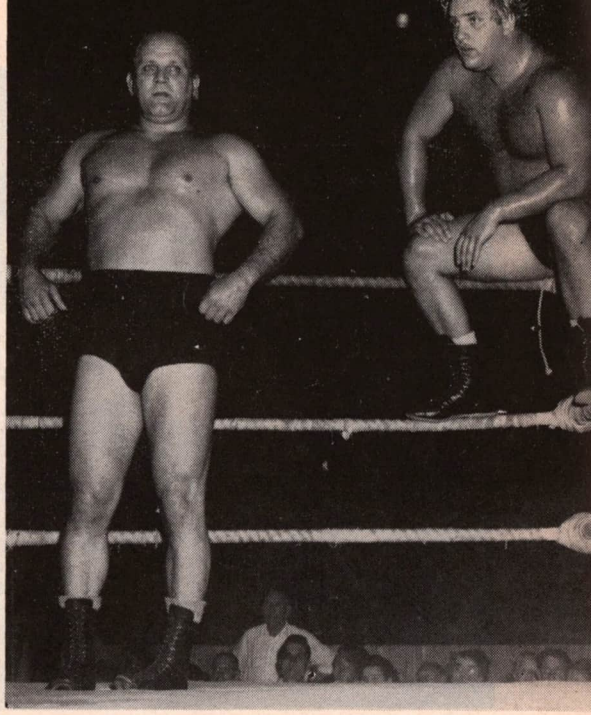
The match was made and more than 8,500 fans stormed the turnstiles with the hope of seeing the Gallaghers take a licking. It must be admitted that the Miller Brothers had a formidable record. They had gone to Canada and taken the Canadian Open Tag Team Championship away from the Brunetti Brothers after a violent match in Hamilton. Then they came to New York State and had smothered all opposition with victory after victory.

The Miller Brothers were not a popular team with the crowd, but they were the favorites when they opposed the Gallagher Brothers in Buffalo, N. Y. The Gallagher-Miller bout was only a couple minutes under way, when the fans sensed that here right before their eyes was modern mat mayhem in all of its congruous expectations. The fans were seen to perch on the edge of their seats in anticipation and they were not disappointed.

The Gallaghers must have called upon the powers of their Gaelic ancestors to help them. To the surprise of the Millers and the hostile crowd, Doc and Mike Gallagher proceeded to kick, punch and elbow smash the heavier Millers from pillar to post and came up with the surprise victory of the year.

The Miller Brothers had taken a beating, but they wanted a rematch in an attempt to prove that the first Gallagher victory was a mistake. The Gallaghers, displaying stoic fortitude, accepted the challenge and Promoter Martinez lost no time in getting the four John Hancocks on a contract.

The second Gallagher-Miller meeting proved to be greater than the first., as the Gallaghers on the brink of defeat turned the tide of battle in their favor in one of the greatest tag team matches seen in Buffalo in the past decade, before 10,200 fans.



Doc and Mike Gallagher who have been hailed as the outstanding Tag Team of 1959. It is their aim to win the world championship, and their legion of fans are sure that they can turn the trick.

Crestfallen, the Millers left town, but not before they saw the Gallaghers ascend to the position they had formerly held in New York State. Then, the Gallaghers proceeded to hand out a loss to the Ilio Di Paolo-Bobo Brazil team. A third meeting of the Gallaghers and the Millers left nothing but to admit that the Gallaghers were tops as they handed Bill and Ed. Miller their third set-back.

The Gallaghers were on top now and apparently they had every intention of staying there. In succession, they defeated Joe and Guy Brunetti and then realliy outdid themselves with a victory over the vaunted Reggie and Stan Lisowski. The up and coming Fargo Brothers also fell victims of the Gallaghers, who now were ready to defend their honors for the world title.

What was the cause of the complete reversal of form in the Gallaghers. They had appeared in Canada and other spots in the U. S. with just ordinary success. It seems that they must have decided that they had the

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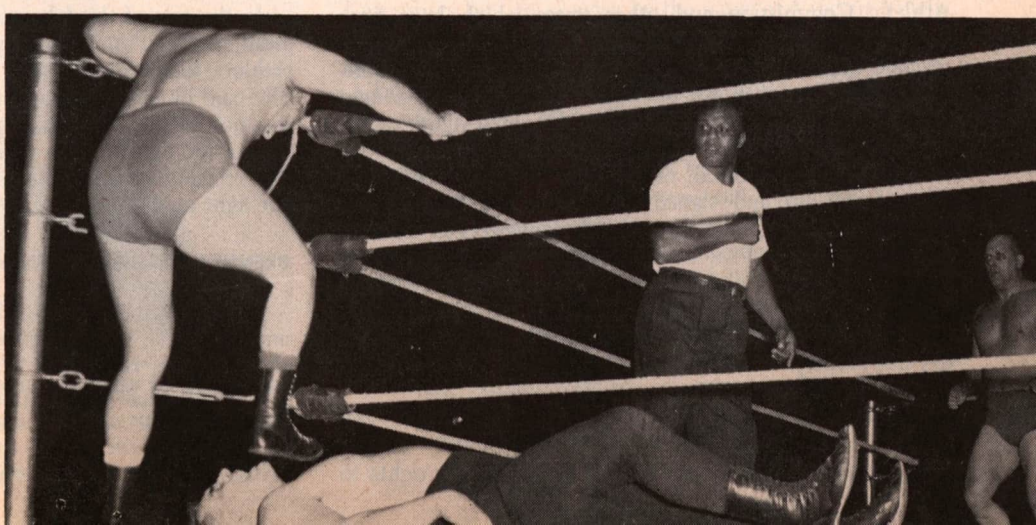
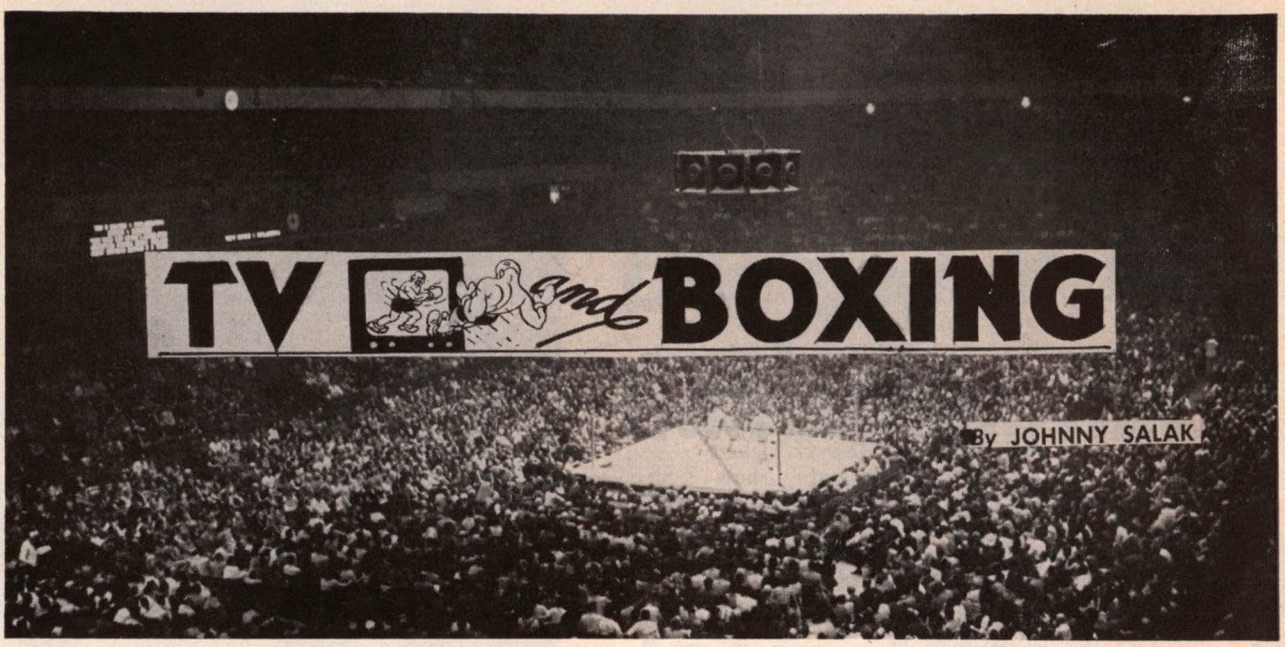


Mike Gallagher does a dance on the chest of Big Bill Miller, while brother Doc looks on. The referee is former heavyweight champion Jersey Joe Walcott.



THE Moore-Durelle encore, which broke their personal series record for knockdowns in one round but failed to live up to the thrills of the first battle, saw Ancient Archie Moore, world light heavyweight champion, have to huff and puff through almost three rounds before Yvon Durelle, the not-so-big fisherman, decided to rejoin the fleet.

The bout, a Wednesday night television offering, was telecast over the ABC network in the United States, with the fight blacked out in Canada and northern New York State in an effort to bolster a gate which never did live up to expectations.

Their first bout, last December, drew a disappointing $90,000 but after the blood and thunder developments which saw Moore come back from four knockdowns (three in the first round) and stop Durelle in the eleventh round, the championship contest being voted the Fight of The Year, it was felt by the promoters that the return would do business in the neighborhood of $250,000.

When the receipts were counted after Durelle's fourth down and none to go, it was discovered that once more the fight, had failed to properly catch on and there was a gross of but $140,519 ($116,496 net).

Television revenue for the return came to $100,000, compared to $75,000 for their first bout. There was also a radio broadcast to Canada's maritime provinces, for which additional revenue of $8,000 was picked up.

The Canadian Government, like the New York State Athletic Commission and other states which have been pondering this question, is concerned with the right to tax revenue derived from televised fights, although the Moore-Durella battle was shown outside its borders. They sought to attach the $100,000 fee paid for the video rights to the title fight staged at the Montreal Forum.

The issue, it appeared, centered on the contract having been drawn up and signed in the United States. The National Boxing Enterprises, with headquarters in Chicago and headed by Truman Gibson, shared in the bout strictly as owner of the television date, with Eddie Quinn of Montreal as promoter of the fight. A portion of the television money went toward's Moore's guarantee but the N. B. E. did not participate in the gate receipts.

KAHN SITS ON TAX

A refusal by interests which held the subsidiary rights to the first Johansson-Patterson world heavyweight title bout to produce the television contract for the New York State Athletic Commission initiated a request for an opinion by the Attorney General's office which reaffirmed "very broad" powers which are held by the athletic commission over all phases of boxing and wrestling and upheld the commission's control over TV contracts even when the broadcasts extend into other states.

Attorney General Louis J. Lefkowitz upheld the State Athletic Commission's right to refuse approval of radio or television boxing and wrestling contracts which it deems detrimental to the sports or "inimical to public interest, convenience or necessity."

The opinion of the state's highest legal officer was requested by commission chairman Melvin Krulewitch. While no specific reason was given it reportedly stemmed from problems involving broadcast and movie rights for the Johansson-Patterson title fight.

Lefkowitz further held that all documents relating to broadcasting, television and movie rights are open for public inspection.

This stand triggered the efforts of a number of state commissions into further action on a problem that has been plaguing them for some time, namely, the division of spoils. While gate receipts, and consequently taxes, have gone down certain promoters of boxing shows are reaping richer harvests than ever because of the mounting television revenue.

In the case of the Johansson-Patterson fight, Irving Kahn, head of TelePrompTer, insists that the New York State Athletic Commission is not entitled to the five percent usually paid by promoters on theater-TV money since the fight was not televised in New York City. He claims that the telecast of the fight in no way hurt the live gate. Total theatre-TV receipts amounted to $1,032,000. The gate receipts at the fight came to $470,712.

BRENNER PASS BEARS WATCHING

Teddy Brenner, matchmaker for Madison Square Garden and the Friday night televised fights was recently discussing the problems that beset a man of his position—and ways and means of getting around an awkward situation which limits his scope.

"To get on our cards," Brenner was quoted as saying, "a fighter has to qualify on only two counts. We must be able

to fight and his manager must be free of any shady background.

"We know putting our policy to work isn't going to be easy," said Brenner. "For one, we can't throw out all the present accepted headliners, hashed over as they may be. But we do mean to give the newcomers every change possible to get a crack at them.

"Getting new talent, of course, is the major problem by reason of the disappearance of the small clubs. But other sports are hit that way, too. Look at baseball with its fading minor leagues. In fact, there are only two pro sports that don't have that trouble today——football and basketball. Why? Because, without cost, they have at their disposal the greatest farm systems imaginable–the colleges.

"Television obviously has hit boxing hard, yet it does have its advantages apart from the revenue derived. In the good old days it sometimes took years for a fighter to gain national recognition. Today he can get it with one good fight that's viewed by millions on TV.

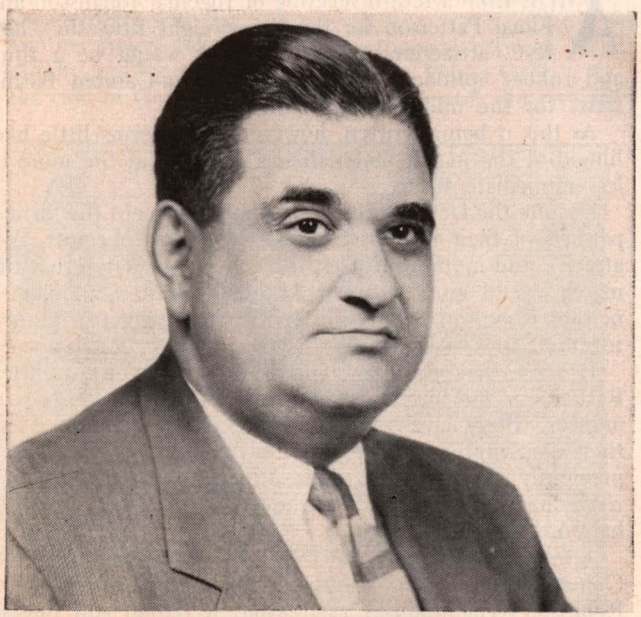
"Also, we believe we can get around some of the other TV obstacles by presenting cards which, apart from the main event, will still be attractive enough to draw fans. Up to now the policy has been to stake all on the televised main event and stock up the rest of the card with nondescript preliminary boys. What's wrong with putting on three attractive ten-rounders, only one of which goes on TV?"

The efforts of this Brenner pass at making a go of things bears watching, both at the Garden and on TV.

MORE "TITLES" ON TV

The strange doings of the middleweights which will see Carmen Basilio and Gene Fullmer fight for a middleweight title with the blessings of the N. B. A. on a Wednesday night televised show also has Ray Robinson, world champion everywhere but in N. B. A. territory, supposedly defending his crown against Paul Pender on December 4 in Boston, which at last report was in Massachusetts, which is N. B. A. territory. This latter fight has been discussed as a Friday night television show, with TV revenue reported to be $100,000, the Sugar Man getting the lump-sum.

However, the Boston Celtics are scheduled for a basketball game at the Boston Garden that night and N. B. A. is said to have withdrawn their original $100,000 TV offer.



Irving Kahn, head of TelePrompTer Corporation which controlled subsidiary rights to the first Johansson-Patterson fight, balks at paying taxes on theatre-TV revenue to the New York State Athletic Commission since the fight was not shown in New York City.

TV revenue for the Basilio-Fullmer bout has been reported at $175,000 but this seems to be out of line, especially for an ersatz title which the N. B. A. is sanctioning but nevertheless doesn't seem to be in agreement on.

DREAM BOUTS ON TV

A letter from a reader, Mr. Alfred Christman of Chicago, suggests that the solution to boxing's television problem would be to televise nationally one boxing show a week, rather than the two which are now screened. This, Mr. Christman arbitrarily suggests, to be a six round bout, held on Thursdays in a TV studio between ranking contenders, each boxer receiving $7,000 for his efforts.

The added revenue to the fighters, Mr. Christman feels (they now receive $4,000) would be enough to draw the "cream of the crop." The all-round limiting of this schedule, it would follow from this line of reasoning, would allow other promoters to match fighters seens on the Thursday night fights in cities all over the country in shows which were not televised, the distance of the bouts to be ten or twelve rounds. The receipts, he envisions, would make boxing healthy, wealthy and wise once more.

Several flaws are immediately evident in such a proposal. Just who would give up their lucrative weekly television show, the National Boxing Enterprises, which is Jim Norris' outfit operating out of Chicago, or Madison Square Garden, which is his old outfit? And what would be the inducement to forfeit such a bonanza?

And where would the additional revenue given to the fighters come from? And what sponsor is going to pay "big money" for a six round bout? And why have a boxing promoter if the shows are running in a TV studio? And, if successful, what would stop other promoters from running just such studio fights on other nights?

And why Thursday? That happens to be my night out! It all adds up to a very neat package but unfortunately filled with helium and, if there were no strings attached, unattainable.

It is, as such, a solution, but how to arrive at such a solution would create a dilemma. This unstudied solution just would not do. We have always been taught that if there is anything worst than an unsolvable problem it is an unwanted dilemma.

JAPS HAVE YEN FOR TV FIGHTS

The Japs have the yen for televised fights, in more ways than one. Just about the only surprising thing about the recent Pascual Perez-Kenji Yonekura world flyweight title bout held at Municipal Gymnasium, Tokyo, Japan was that the exclusive television rights for the fight were sold for a reported $63,000.

ROSENSOHN STRANGLED

When Bill Rosenshon gave up his control of Rosenshon Enterprises Inc., to a lawyer by the name of Vincent Velella, he unwittingly spelled finish to his aspirations of becoming another Mike Jacobs.

Tagged as a "white-haired" boy wonder whose hands were unsullied by other than normal business routines, recent investigations connecting his name with gambler Erickson and his being out finessed by Velella, has materially changed the complexion of Rosenshon's character.

His most ardent rooters, who labeled him as an amateur at promoting, but a lilly white character doing the game some good, have now turned against Bill claiming that boxing was short-changed by being hit with unsavory publicity surrounding Rosenshon and his unwelcome connections.

With Rosenshon out of his own business and the New York State Athlete Commission rescinding his license to promote as well as act as a matchmaker, it looks as if Bill can be written off as a bad debt.

Carmen Basilio and Ray Robinson were "friendly enemies" when they met with New York State Athletic Commission Chairman Julius Helfand to sign contracts for their first bout. The rivalry has since developed into mutual hatred, and chances of third and rubber clash now seem remote, even though they may be passing up lustiest paydays of their respective careers.

A-FUSSIN' and A-FEUDIN'

Bitter Enmity Between Robinson and Basilio Recalls Other Noted "Grudges" in Boxing

By JERSEY JONES

ASIDE from a return meeting of Ingemar Johansson and Floyd Patterson for the heavyweight title, the "hottest" attraction in boxing today would be a third and rubber episode in the Ray Robinson-Carmen Basilio series for the middleweight laurels.

As this is being written, however, there seems little likelihood of the match materializing; at least, in the more or less immediate future.

Despite the fact that the bout would represent the lustiest paydays of their respective careers—with gate receipts, theatre-TV and motion pictures, it has been estimated that the match would gross between $1,500,000 and $2,000,000—neither Robinson nor Basilio appears too eager for the get-together.

It isn't that the rivals particularly fear one another. Rather, it's the bitter personal enmity developed in recent months. Both have been totally uninhibited in expressing their contemptuous opinions of each other, and what had previously been nothing more than a keen professional rivalry has grown into a violent mutual dislike closely akin to hatred.

The current disagreement of the New York State Athletic Commission and the National Boxing Association over Robinson's championship status has served to add fuel to the fires of bitterness in the rival camps. Robinson still is recognized in New York but the N. B. A., declaring the title vacant, endorsed the Basilio-Gene Fullmer affair in San Francisco as for the "championship."

It seems utterly silly, if not downright stupid, for two experienced professionals to let personal feelings, intense though they may be, interfere with what could be the grand finale in their series. As fighters, it would be logical for them to settle their differences not by fussin' and feudin' but by the simple expedient of fighting in the ring—and getting handsomely paid for it.

What eventually will happen with Robinson and Basilio is something only the capricious gods of fistic destiny can answer.

Meanwhile, Ray and Carmen, nursing one of the bitterest "grudges" boxing has known in many a year, continue to travel their separate ways.

SOME OLD FEUDS

One of the most historic enmities in ring annals was the one between Jim Corbett and John L. Sullivan. Actually, it was a one-sided feud. Sullivan bore no animosity toward Corbett, but Jim waged a personal vendetta against John L. for years after both had quit the ring.

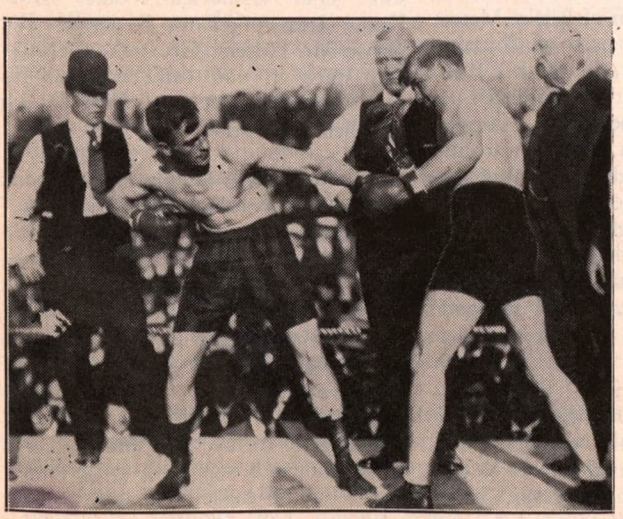
It seems strange that a winner should have nursed such bitterness toward a man he had beaten, but with Corbett it apparently was a case of frustration. Instead of being hailed as a conquering hero after his stunning victory over Sullivan in New Orleans in 1892, Corbett was regarded as a sort of interloper who had ruined a public idol.

Jim never did succeed to the popularity that had been John L's and he vented his spite against the erstwhile Boston Strong Boy at every opportunity. There is no record that they ever came to actual blows, but there was one occasion when they nearly did. That was in Reno in 1910, when Sullivan covered the Jack Johnson-Jim Jeffries affair as a special feature writer for a Boston newspaper.

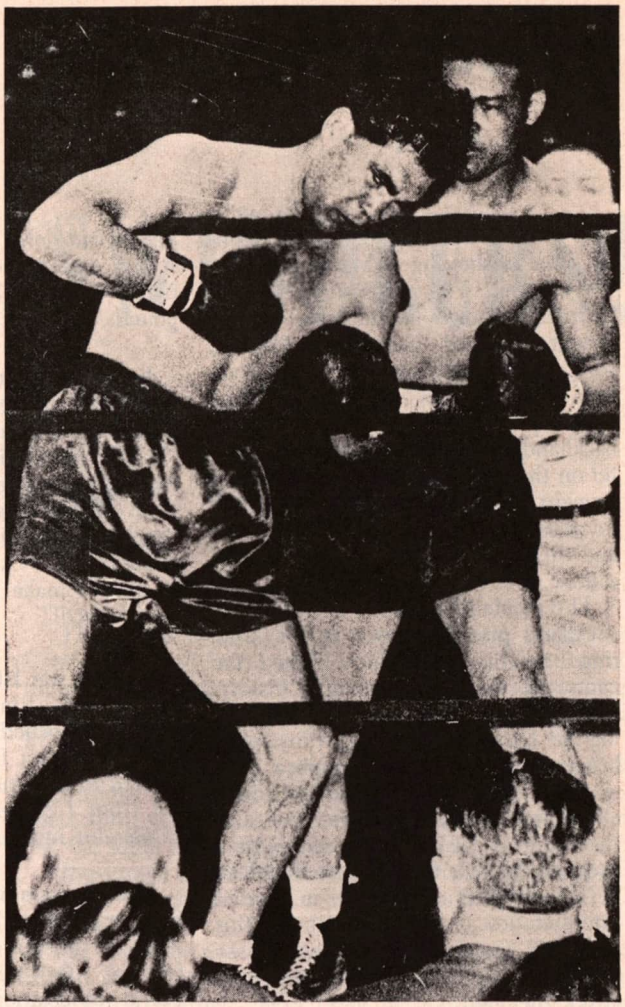
Dropping into Jeff's training camp for a pre-battle interview, Sullivan was greeted by the news that he was not welcome. Corbett, who had attached himself to Jeff's menage in an advisory capacity, had issued the order. When John L. insisted on seeing Jeff, he and Corbett became embroiled in a heated argument, and only the timely intervention of Tommy Ryan and Jeff's brother, Jack, prevented the old rivals from trying to settle the issue with their fists.

It wasn't until 1916, when they were introduced from the ring before the start of the Jess Willard-Frank Moran bout in Madison Square Garden, that Corbett shook hands and made peace with Sullivan.

Another noted old-time feud was the one between Jack McAuliffe and the talented but eccentric Young Griffo. As in the case of Corbett and Sullivan, they never did resume their ring warfare after their one meeting in Coney Island in 1894, but any time they met on the street or in a barroom it meant trouble. Griffo felt he had been unjustly deprived of a well-earned decision over the lightweight champion in their Coney Island affair, and he became incensed when "that blawsted dude" wouldn't fight him again. McAuliffe aggravated matters by ridiculing Griffo at every opportunity.



One of ring history's most celebrated "grudge fights" was third meeting of Stanley Ketchel (left) and Billy Papke. Here the rivals are seen squaring off before start of bout in San Francisco.



The only time Joe Louis held a grievance against any rival was when Max Schmeling claimed after first clash that Joe had tried to "foul out." Louis had his revenge two years later when (pictured above) he demolished Schmeling in less than one round.

In one of their impromptu tangles, the rivals started to peg punches at each other in a New York tavern, and a wild free-for-all ensued among their cohorts. The fracas ended when someone yelled: "The cops!" and the belligerents went scampering out into the night.

The "war" eventually ended in 1914. By then Griffo, a rum-soaked derelict, was sadly in need of a helping hand, and McAuliffe was instrumental in arranging several benefit shows for him.

"GRUDGE FIGHTS" MOSTLY PUBLICITY

Advertising "grudge fights" has long been a popular practice in boxing, but actually they have been comparatively scarce. Most of the so-called "grudges" have been nothing more or less than keen rivalries between neighborhood clans. There was no bitter personal feeling involved when New York lightweights Benny Leonard and Frankie Conifrey tangled in their memorable affair at the Star Casino in 1917. The riot that followed Leonard's victory was started by Conifrey's disgruntled rooters.

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A-ROUND AND A-BOUT

FEATURE

By BOB ALLEN

IT was a bristling ten-round semi-final in the ring at Madison Square Garden. The principals were Don Warner, young Philadelphia heavyweight prospect, and Billy Hunter, from Detroit. For two rounds the action was fairly even. In the third, Warner surprised Hunter with a sizzling backhand swipe which deposited Hunter on the seat of his pants. The punch brought a warning from the referee but no penalty. Hunter took a short count and then the two went on to battle to a draw.

The incident reminded us of another backhand punch, thrown in the same ring back in 1935, which altered the course of recent heavyweight history. The opponents on that occasion were big Art Lasky, top-ranking Minneapolis heavyweight, and Jimmy Braddock, then in the midst of his celebrated "Cinderella Man" comeback. In the course of that contest Lasky lashed out with a backhand punch that missed Braddock by a foot. But the referee, in a strict interpretation of the rules, labeled this an illegal punch and penalized Lasky the round. The loss of the round cost Lasky the fight.

It so happened that Braddock and Lasky were competing that night for the right to face Max Baer for the heavyweight championship of the world. The decision in Braddock's favor gave him the opportunity to meet Baer in the Garden Bowl at Long Island City. You will remember what happened.

But how different the story might have been had not Lasky thrown that backhand punch.

Reporting Ralph Dupas's victory over Frankie Ryff in New Orleans, a wire service said: *"Dupas, a hometown product, fought on even terms with Ryff the first six rounds. Then his boring style began to tell on the Bronx fighter."* Boring style? Was this factual reporting or editorial comment?

When Don Jordan weighed in a pound and a half over for his title defense against Denny Moyer in Portland, Ore., the Commission chairman explained the procedure called for in the Commission rules. The TV and radio announcers, seeking enlightenment, found the explanation baffling. The Commission chairman explained all over again. But again the announcers asked clarification. *"Would you say,"* said one of the listeners, *"that your rules are rigidly laid down to be flexible?"* *"Exactly,"* said a Commission representative. Fortunately, Jordan made 147 pounds on his second try.

Jimmy Beecham did not like the decision which went against him in a Dallas fight against Jimmy Martinez. *"It was unquestionably the worst decision I've ever gotten and I've gotten some rotten ones in my career,"* said Beecham. *"Decisions of this kind are discouraging."* All Beecham really had to say to make his point was: *"We wuz robbed!"*

A boxer was late arriving at an arena because of a minor traffic accident. *"What happened?"* asked the manager when the boxer finally showed up. *"I wanted to stop for a red light,"* said the lad, *"but I put my foot down on the exhilerator instead of the brake."*

Dan Florio is one of the nation's top fight trainers and he has conditioned some of the world's foremost ring performers. But we take exception to a Florio observation as quoted in the New York Times a few weeks ago.

Said Dan: *"Jack Dempsey couldn't take a man out with one punch and neither could Rocky Marciano. The only guy who could was Jersey Joe Walcott."*

Leaving Dempsey out of this—since it's about forty years since Dempsey was belting out guys with one punch—we'd like to remind Florio of the night in Philadelphia when Walcott bounced haymakers off the chin of Rocky Marciano for the better part of thirteen rounds, with Rocky still on his feet. And then, late in the thirteenth, a single Marciano blockbuster, thrown with speed, precision, and power finished off Walcott so decisively that the referee could have counted to fifty. The world heavyweight championship changed hands with that one wallop.

Florio should remember it; he was there—helped, in fact, to carry Walcott to his corner.

Speaking of Marciano, there's another quote we ran across the other day that we'd like to take exception to. This one was attributed to Al Weill who was talking, in Dallas, Texas, about the champions he has managed during his career.

Rocky Marciano was a great fighter," said Weill. *"Marty Servo and Joey Archibald were good ones, but Lou Ambers was the greatest champion I ever had."*

Of course, that's Weill's opinion. And he has a right to it. But we have a right to our opinion too. Ambers was a fine fighter, a splendid champion, and a wonderful guy. But he couldn't knock your hat off. We'll take Marciano.

Browsing through a bookstore in New York's Times Square area our eye was attracted by a paperback with the title "From The Ringside," by T. Leigh-Lye. According to the blurb on the cover, the book purports to tell *"the inside stories of great fights that have thrilled the world."* And so, naturally, we bought it.

We want to tell Mr. T. Leigh-Lye right here and now that London is not the world, nor is England, nor is, for that matter, the British Empire. While the fights Mr. T. Leigh-Lye writes about may have "thrilled" him and a fractional share of the boxing world, we doubt that the fight fans in America, for example were much "thrilled" by the encounter between Theo Medina and Peter Kane, Billy Kelly and Roy Ankrah, Jimmy Brown and Bobby Neil, Ernie Roderick and Henry Hall, and Peter Waterman and Frank Johnson.

To be fair to Mr. T. Leigh-Lye who writes well and interestingly, he does include a few fights which were really worldwide in the excitement they created, such as Randy Turpin-Ray Robinson, Gus Lesnevich-Freddie Mills, Henry Armstrong-Ernie Roderick. But please, Mr. T. Leigh-Lye, no matter how you spice it, you can't convince us that Vince Hawkins and Dick Turpin "thrilled the world."

In their widely circulated book *"A Dictionary of Contemporary Usage,"* the authors (Bergen Evans and Cornelia Evans) explain the difference between *"ability"* and *"capacity"* as follows: *"A boxer has the ability to hit, the capacity to take punishment."* It ain't necessarily so, Bergen and Cornelia.

We've known lots of boxers with a most limited ability to hit and hardly any capacity to take punishment. And we've known boxers with great ability to hit but no capacity to take punishment.

We suggest you use a better explanation in the next edition.

WARNING TO SWINDLERS!

By NAT LOUBET

THE Ring Magazine herewith issues fair warning to fight managers and promoters—and commission officials, as well—who have been involved in putting on boxers who are ringers and phonies, and who have been throwing inexperienced kids and wornout hasbeens into meetings with local favorites who must be "built up."

We hear so much these days about bringing back the small clubs and encouraging the small promoters.

Well, we have heard some incredible things about some small clubs and some small promoters, who are so small they could be pulled through the eye of a needle.

Fight fans are being bilked by subterfuge and swindles which force the game back some 50 years, to the days before commission rule, and state and local regulation.

The Ring Magazine is collecting evidence, and unless the crooks cease and desist, there will be revelations which will rock quite a few clubs, commissions and phony boxers and their connections.

The practices herewith outlined are widespread. But right now the activities of the swindlers are more or less concentrated in New England, where our commissions would do well to wake up and perform their essential duties.

There is, for example, the case of masquerading one Charley Washington for Archie Whitfield against Joe DeNucci, in New Bedford on June 21.

Whitfield, a middleweight, is in the Army, in Kentucky. Yet the New Bedford club had the startling effrontery to swindle its patrons by advertising as DeNucci's opponent. Washington was knocked out in the fifth round.

Commissioner Edward J. Urbec investigated the fraud and suspended Washington and others involved in it.

It was announced that the Massachusetts Commission suspended the licenses of Al Braverman, manager of Whitfield; Rip Valenti, a promoter, Nuno Cam his associate, and Gerald Houston, another promoter, pending a hearing.

However, it turned out that this was not the story, after all. As so often happens in cases involving the Massachusetts Commission, there was another version, and this was made known in the following report sent out from Boston by the Associated Press;—

"The Massachusetts Boxing Commission yesterday handed indefinite suspensions to Charlie Washington and manager Al Braverman for failure to appear at a hearing.

"At the same time the commission lifted suspensions it slapped on Anthony (Rip) Valenti, Nuno Cam, boxer Joe DeNucci and New Bedford promoter Gilbert Huston last week.

"The earlier action was taken when it was found that Washington had lost a fight to DeNucci in New Bedford using the name 'Archie Whitfield.' Later it was determined that boxer Archie Whitfield is in the army stationed at Ft. Campbell, Ky.

"Herman Greenberg, commission chairman, said that the suspensions of Washington and Braverman would be in effect until they appeared before the commission as each has the right to state his case.

"Braverman notified the commission he could not appear yesterday because he was in St. Paul handling Chico Vejar in a bout there."

The question now arises, for how long will the Washington and Braverman suspensions be effective after they have had a hearing? Will there be another whitewashing job?

Information furnished to The Ring, indicates that on a number of occasions, promoters in New England have called upon New York managers to furnish "stiffs" for build-up "opposition."

These unscrupulous promoters have brought to their clubs boys who were quickly knocked out, thus "adding" to prestige of home town lads who have proved good attractions.

With The Ring record book to guide them, and free access to our records, boxing commissions guilty of accepting matches without proper investigation of records are aiding in piling up casualties.

The New Orleans Commission, for example, like that of New York and California, checks the last six bouts of every man prior to sanctioning a match. That is how it should be and managers who are guilty of fraud, should be banned in all states.

The worn stiffs who are recruited for most of the frauds know their roles, and will take to the water without getting hurt, or hurting.

However, now and then some ambitious four round preliminary boy thrown into a final will get notions, and take an unmerciful trouncing. These misplaced, overmatched kids are in danger of being killed.

Some small club promoters outside of New York will call the big city for a load of sacrifices. The man who guides the stiffs packs them into a car which he calls "a hearse." The idea, of course, is for the stiffs to hit the deck and stay down, to "glorify" home town favorites. The whole mess smells and will have to be cleaned up quickly. The Ring Magazine issues fair warning before things become too uncomfortable for these swindlers.

the MAT world

By NAT LOUBET

Reggie Parks, muscle, looks and personality personified. And, he's not a bad wrestler either. You all will be hearing from this lad in the near future.

The amazing Argentine Zuma, who like Antonio Rocca wrestles sans shoes and depends largely on his agility and speed of foot. A new sensation in the wrestling world, the large question is whether he will last or is he but a passing fad?

ON AND AROUND THE MAT

MAX BAER, former heavyweight boxing champion of the world, visited at The Ring office recently when the "madcap" was in New York to referee a night of wrestling at Madison Square Garden . . . the guy adds color to the grapplers as he did to the boxing world. . . . Maxie always bring a little bit of sunshine along with him.

The amazing Zuma, barefooted newcomer to Eastern grunt circles was in the 1948 Olympics . . . his father before him was also a groaner and an Olympian . . . for a little man Zuma puts more into the game than many a larger wrestler.

Al Alberto Torres, 24 year old, 224 pound grappler, who toes off from 6′½″ stance, has been a pro for three years and is way ahead of most of the lads who started at the same time. . . . Hailing from Senora, Mexico Al was one of the better ends in college football and good enough to make the varsity in baseball. . . . He is the youngest of the Torres brothers . . . others are Enrico and Ramon.

Lest there be some doubt, and I'm sure there always will be, we should like to pass on the comments of Reggie Carles to the effect that Cowboy Ellis is the current Central States heavyweight champ.

Buddy "Nature Boy" Rogers teamed up with The Great Scott to win the Mid-West tag team title. . . . Did you know that villain Harry Lewis, the "Boston Bad Boy" is a lawyer . . . that he passed his bar examination but decided that he wanted a wrestling career instead . . . instead of what? . . . Know ye that The Great Scott, who started his career in 1947 and wrestled under the name of Johnny "Dutch" Sweigart has an international FC under the aegis of Bette Krieger. . . . What happened to The Shiek and his beautiful princess Seleina? Also wonder what hoppened to the blonde roughie Ludwig Von Krupp? . . . Steve Stanlee, brother of Gene, is having a ball for himself in Australia.

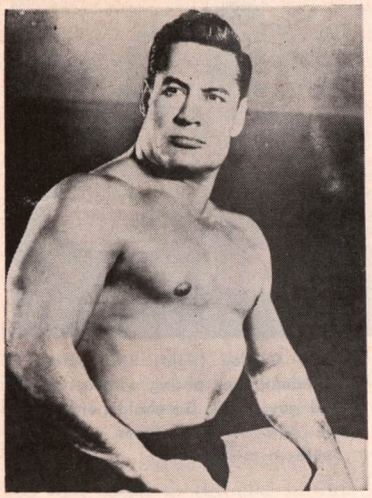
I have been receiving many letters from fans who have been finding it difficult to buy their copy of The Ring at their favorite newsstands. . . . My suggestion is to request the newsie to reserve a copy for you, or, if that is not possible send along a subscription and be sure to get your copy direct from us.

Jimmy Montenaro is a lucky lad to have such an enterprising FC . . . his bulletin is solid with loads of meat and not just frills like so many FC papers. . . . Incidently, Jimmy, 25 years old, was runner up in AAU championship at Ohio State in 1951 . . . he had his first pro match against Ray Stevens in 1952 . . . shoots golf in the 70's, is married and has a growing fan club. . . . His bank account should be growing too if his popularity is to be judged.

It's always a pleasure to see Buddy Rosen wrestle . . . so many of our modern group rely on sensationalism but let their bodies blow up like sausages . . . what makes Larry Hamilton and George Becker such arch rivals? Becker, teamed up with Mike Clancy, hold the Southern Tag team title. . . . Haystack Calhoun, who made such an impression on Eastern fans is on tour . . . recently got "thumbs up" from Carolina fans . . . and while speaking of the South a Kudo is in line for Jim Crockett, who has done so much to waken up the Carolina's. . . . Karl Davis, meanie, who has been seen on TV recently, is as nice a chap outside the ring as he is rugged when facing an opponent. Lord Blears is in Hawaii, as is Joe Blanchard . . . received a call from Rickii Starr, who was California bound for a movie tryout . . . he has already recorded several disks in successful fashion for the Juke boxes.

THE FAN CLUB CORNER

Ready for some more Fan Clubs that you may care to join? Here's a new and active Texas club, presided over by Dixie Sinnes, address: 2714 Hanna, Fort North, 6, Texas. . . . Oh yes, the wrestler the club is for is Pancho Lopez. Letter from Sue Icenhour that she is dropping the Cyclone Anaya Fan Club for lack of cooperation . . . can't understand why some of the boys don't understand the importance of helping their FC's . . . they're really helping themselves and they don't seem to realize it. . . . Sue is replacing Cyclone with Duke Keomuka. . . . She also has a club for Jerry and Bobby Christy. . . . Her address is: Care General



Cyclone Anaya, a popular grappler who has made Charlotte, North Carolina almost home. A veteran, he is capable and a Latin who has the girls hearts a- pattin'.

The singing troubador, Frank Townsend, who has had Eastern arenas sitting up and taking notice. This guy has what it takes to crowd the top notches . . . and I don't mean his voice. Would you believe he was once a farmer?

Betty Clark, better known as the pride of Virginia, is a charming bundle of athletic endeavor standing 5'6" and weighing 145 pounds.

Delivery, Hickory, North Carolina.

For Fred Blassie fans their's the club headed up by Bob Peck and Ricky Woyar, at 4615 Lake Forrest Drive, Atlanta 5, Georgia. . . . A brand new Stu Gibson club has been formed under prexy Mar De Leon of 657 N. San Dario St., San Antonio, Texas. Here are two more clubs in honor of top grappler: Bobby Manogoff FC, president Jackie Sanderson, and the Wilbur Snyder FC, president, Mrs. B. Benbenek, 1114 Ferguson Ave., Fort Myers, Indiana.

POPULARITY POLL

Men

1. Pat O'Connor
2. Ricki Starr
3. Antonio Rocca
4. Amazing Zuma
5. Count Billy Varga
6. Johnny Valentine
7. Cowboy Ellis
8. Eddie and Dr. Jerry Graham (Tag team)
9. The Great Scott and Buddy Rogers (Tag team)
10. Ronnie Etchison

Women

1. June Byers
2. Nell Stewart
3. Princess Moolah
4. Rita Cortez
5. Pat Lyda
6. Kitty Starr
7. Betsy Ross
8. Ann Regan
9. Penny Banner
10. Judy Grable

BETTY CLARK
The Pride of Virginia

Betty Clark of Roanoke, Virginia, is progressing up the ladder of success.

When Wrestling fans want action mixed with glamour, they turn out to see this charming 145 pound, 5 ft.-6 in. brunette turn on the speed from start to finish in a match.

Betty gained most of her strength, as a child on her Dad's large 250 acre Ranch, wrestling cattle. Being raised on the ranch makes one of her hobbies horse-back riding, for she has ridden numerous bronco's, breaking them in and giving them a pretty rough time. Besides riding horses as a hobby, Betty loves swimming, golf and movies.

At present Miss Clark is ranked among the 10 leading Girl Wrestlers in the Nation. Betty appears to have the build and ability besides the personality that is needed for a successful ring career.

MARTINO ANGELO

A guy who has been kickin' around the cauliflower fraternity for close to 25 years and who is still going strong, is Martino (Iron Mike) Angelo, a short, tough Italian from Buffalo, N. Y.

Known as the man of a thousand belts, Angelo started in the YMCA and later won the Canadian 135 pound championship. Gus Kallio, then middleweight champion of the world persuaded Angelo to turn pro.

If all of Angelo's belts were laid end-to-end he would have a regular conveyor line. He won the junior middleweight crown at Ft. Wayne, Ind., in 1934, the Mid-Western light-heavyweight crown a short time later, the World's junior heavyweight belt a few months after that and the Pacific Coast light-heavyweight diadem six months later.

Being a roughian from the old school, Angie specializes in arm locks and crab holds. Now and then he throws a few knuckles just to keep his opponent in line and to let him know who is boss.

Steffi Heindel, a German champ, seen on top, but she would be better at moment if she were on the bottom. Gal putting on back breaker is Miss Reissans. Seconds later the champ twisted into an escape and pinned her tormentor.

The gals really go in for this back breaking work. Traindel Langer, with knee bandage, had her back strapped after Hamis Spitzheimer finished separating her disks.

Angelo is short in stature but makes up for size by being one of the most shrewd men on the mat. He stands 5-feet 7-inches in height and weighs 220 pounds.

WRESTLING ACTION
By Earle Yetter

While some fans enjoy the scientific approach to wrestling there are many others who attend the matches to see the controversial displays exhibited by the more unorthodox grapplers. True, there are many armchair cynics who look with a jaundiced eye upon the shinanigans, but they do not apparently understand "the spirit" in back of wrestling.

The writer has sat at ringside through thousands of bouts. I have seen the greatest in action from the champions on down; I have seen the result of tedious hours in the gymnasium, I have seen the unusual, the controversial, the glamorous, the downtrodden, but I never seem to grow tired of wrestling action because to me it is the essence of athletic achievement between supermen who have come into the sport from all parts of the world. They have come from college gridirons, from the Y. M. C. A.'s; as simon pures and then enter the professional ranks as a career.

It is the type of men who today comprise the sport of wrestling who help to retain the continued interest of millions of fans from coast to coast. In some parts of the country the sport goes into an apparent eclipse, but it inevitably rebounds with greater interest than ever.

With the new wrestling season on in full sway, there is every indication that renewed interest will be manifested by the fans in all parts of New York State. Promoter Pedro Martinez last fall showed films of Buffalo bouts in 14 different cities. He successfully launched renewed interest in Cleveland, Astabula and other Ohio cities.

In Buffalo, Martinez has pledged his fans that he will have a look see at all of the reigning stars of the mat and in addition they will see a host of newcomers who are now climbing the ladder seeking fame and fortune. Last season more than 85 new faces were introduced to the fans of New York State for the first time. Among them were Karl (Killer) Kulaski, Ramon Lopez, Sammy Rios, Danno McDonald, Wally Sieber, Chief Chewacki, Bobby Brown, Hombre Montana, Tarzan Tourville, Frank Fozo, Al. Albertino, Leo Garabaldi and a host of others in addition to periodic visits by the Midget brigades.

Lenny Montana, who appeared in upstate matches as Chief Chewacki, "The Unfriendly Gypsy" is creating havoc in New York City with TV sports announcer Lonny Starr, according to information received by Mike Gottesman, an admirer of this column. It seems that Montana, Fritz von Erich and Ed. Miller, who head the villain brigade, disagree with some of the things that Starr says about them and when he interviews them a real battle occurs. Not so long ago Starr threatened to hit Ed. Miller with his microphone on an interview, after which things calmed down a bit.

Judy Grable (left) with her fan club prexy, the hard-working Violet Smith. Box contains necklace given to her by her fans who think their girl has everything it takes. She certainly has plenty!

Gene Gordon (right) Ring correspondent, seen posing with a rugged guy, Chick Garabaldi, one of the best of the villians around Southern areas.

At Sunnyside Gardens, Queens, Long Island, Chief Don Eagle, former World Champion, and The Mighty Atlas have been the attractions. Atlas still relies on his power-packed full nelson to win most of his matches.

Others who have appeared at Sunnyside Gardens are Antonio Rocca and Miguel Perez who won the World Tag Team Trophy when they defeated the Graham Brothers in just about as riotous a bout as the fans have ever seen. The Brunetti Brothers, Joe and Guy have also been outstanding performers. They defeated Ed. and Dan Miller who were disqualified for not staying within the rules. Their second meeting went to a draw, but in a renewal bout the Brunettis came up with a victory.

Now comes the disconcerting rumor that Yukon Eric, "The Alaskan Powerhouse" is going into retirement. But he says, "no." It is true that Yukon has amassed more than $350,000 in ring earnings on which taxes have been paid. Never one for the noisy cities, Yukon wants the peace and quiet of nature. If he actually does retire, it will be a distinct loss to wrestling. While it will be good news to some of his opponents, it cannot be denied that Yukon Eric revived wrestling back in the 40's and helped to revitalize the sport in more ways than one. However, the man is entitled to live his own life as he chooses.

Buddy Rogers, the Camden, N. J. blond is a persistent challenger of Pat O'Connor for World Championship honors and there are many fans who believe that Roger is a better man than the champion. However, O'Connor has defended his title against the best and whether Rogers will get his chance against O'Connor for the crown remains to be seen. It is one battle I would like to see, if promoters can ever get these two together.

Fiery Ilio Di Paolo has been nominated as the outstanding wrestler in the East during last season and he is still hounding champion Pat O'Connor for a match for the world title. On several occasions Di Paolo has held the Champion to draw decisions, but his record entitles him to a real down to earth conflict for the World Heavyweight crown. *"If I get the opportunity to meet O'Connor for the title, you can bet that I will be ready to give my best. When I came to this great country I wanted two things, to become a citizen and to become the world champion. I got my citizenship last year so all that I have left is a championship battle with Pat O'Connor. I will be ready when that opportunity arrives,"* said Di Paoli.

Ricki Starr, who amazes the fans wherever he appears, is spreading his magic on Ed. Contoe's cards at the Coliseum in Baltimore. This former ballet dancer, who took a new approach to wrestling, has become one of the biggest attractions in the business. He wrestles with complete confidence and seems to enjoy every minute he is in the ring. However, Ricki still has a hankering to appear in a New York stage show and he may get his opportunity this fall.

Canadian promoters are also pitching in to provide their fans with exhilarating wrestling action during this new season. In the past the greatest wrestlers in the world have shown their wares for such promoters as Frank Tunney, Toronto impresario, and Eddie Quinn, the Montreal Major Domo. Promoters Porky Jacobs, Saskatoon, Al. Oeming, Edmonton, Alberta; Stu Hart,

Calgary; "Honest" John Katan, Hamilton: George Bird, St. Catherines, and Bob Wybrow, Niagara Falls, Ontario are lining up attractions which will bring out the fans in droves.

In Fort Erie, Buffalo promoter Pedro Martinez treated the fans to the first six-man tag team bout they have ever seen there. He imported Roy McClarty as Referee to handle the bout which saw Doc. and Mike Gallagher with Fritz von Eric oppose Stan and Reggie Lisowski and Dick Beyer. The fans saw about everything in the book in this bout, but the redoubtable Gallagher Bros. team came up with a victory when they scored in the two out of three falls battle. Referee McClarty was well spent at the end of this wild and wooly grapple fest. He said he'd rather be in there wrestling any time.

Hard-Boiled Haggerty, the California husky now appearing in Canada has written a book entitled, "Female Fans At Wrestling Matches." In it he relates his many close scrapes with female fans at ringside, and he tells it all in his own inimitable style.

A short time ago, Wild Red Berry, the wrestler who digests the encyclopedia as a pasttime, was a guest on Groucho Marx's TV program. Appearing almost solemn and morose at the outset, it didn't take Groucho very long to learn that he was confronted with just about one of the gabbiest contestants he has ever had on the program.

Carol Carrota, female wrestler, is the wife of Karl (Killer) Kulaski, German gladiator, now appearing in Canada. As a pastime, Kulaski raises pedigreed dogs. In the ring, he is a ruthless perpetrator of mat mayhem. He appears with a moustache and a shaved cranium and is a first class villain.

Three grapplers who are well known on the Canadian circuits are Baron Gattoni, Fred Atkins and Bobo Brazil. They are currently on a world trip with stops scheduled for Australia, New Zealand, Hawaiian Islands and then back nome. Atkins was considered a champion in his homeland of Australia and is anxious to appear before the home folks once more.

The Midgets who appear occasionally in Canada, have a new colorful tag team duo in Chief Red Feather and The Brown Panther. They are sweeping all opposition before them in Canadian bouts. Little Beaver, injured in an automobile accident is reported on the mend and back in ring action.

Sky Hi Lee, one of the few wrestlers who came into the professional ranks of wrestling without any amateur background, has the distinction of having wrestled 11 former world heavyweight champions. The former cow-poke has seen action against Lou Thesz, Wild Bill Longson, Yvon Robert, Frank Sexton, Bobby Managoff, Whipper Billy Watson, Jack (Babe) Sharkey, Joe Savoldi, Danno O'Mahoney, Dick Hutton and Pat O'Connor, present champ. It was Finas Hall, a wrestler of distinction not so far back, who showed Lee all the finer points of wrestling and enticed him to take up the sport as a career.

Ilio Di Paolo, in the August issue of THE RING was in fourth place in the popularity poll. The popular Italian grappler has a large following in Canada, where he has had outstanding bouts with Dick Hutton, Gene Kiniski and other stalwarts.

It was back in 1954 that Lord Athol Layton and Lord Jan Blears won the International TV Tag Team Championship, when they defeated the team of Bobo Brazil and Wilbur Snyder at the Hollywood Legion Stadium, Hollywood, California. The Layton-Blears Tag Team with Captain Leslie Holmes as manager were a great combination. They also held the British Empire Tag Team Championship; The Canadian Open Tag Team Championship and then won the World Tag Team Championship in Chicago in 1953. Since then both grapplers have gone their separate ways to write new history in the annals of wrestling. Captain Holmes and Jan Blears are real estate moguls in the Sunshine State, but Blears is still active on the mat. Lord Layton continues his mat career after an eye injury which almost wrote finis to his mat career. He has also become an adopted son of Canada, and resides with his family in Toronto.

WRESTLING IN THE SOUTHWEST
By Peg COLWELL

Recent weeks have been filled to the brim with action in Albuquerque's Civic Auditorium with Nick Roberts still on the rampage. The 7 state Rocky Mountain Tag title changed owners for the third time in as many months. Juan Garcia and Tommy Phelps had taken the title from the Fabulous Kangaroos, then lost it to Art "Assassin" Nelson and Doug "Iron Jaw" Donovan, the present owners.

In a non title match, Pat O'Connor defeated Taro Myaki, with a reverse jacknife and cinched the deciding fall with a half crab. Myaki got the first fall of the match with his controversial 'Claw' hold.

The ill-tempered Nick Roberts has inflicted several injuries to wrestlers and referees, particularly the latter. Ref. Ben Sherman seemed to be the perfect target for the Wild Man. Having suffered a chipped elbow, broken nose, broken ribs and several minor injuries, Ben donned his tights and demanded a match with Roberts. Ben was outweighed by some 60 pounds, but he showed exceptionally well. He may have lost the match, but he won the fans, and returned the next week to defeat Gorgeous George.

In a rematch Roberts had Juan Garcia defeated, but went into over time activities. Juan was awarded the match when Roberts picked up Referee Joe Hidalgo and bounced him off Garcia's back. Same night, Joe was involved in another fracas between Sonny Meyers and Art Nelson. Myers reached the end of his rope of patience and cool temper and exploded. Chairs and various other objects were flying as well as fists. With his clothes in shreads and several bruises, Hidalgo put the 'No Contest' stamp on the match, and had the assist of all in the dressing rooms to clear the ring.

Suni War Cloud's 9 yr old boy is recovering in a local hospital from a leg injury received in an accident.

Word has reached us that Ken Fenelon is going to resume wrestling promotion in the northeast area of Iowa and surrounding territory. He has completely recovered from a prelonged illness.

Danny (Bulldog) Plechas has just returned from Japan where he represented the U.S. in the International World 'Catch-As-Catch-Can" Tournament. Among those currently appearing the Southwest are Chief Round Table, the 250 pound 5'5" Yaqui Indian from Sonora, Mexico, Danny Ferrazza, Tony Morelli, Ray Duran, Cliff 'Swede' Oldon, Dory Funk, Joe Hamilton and the Senator from Arkansas, Antone "Ripper" Leone.

TEXAS RASSLIN'
By Texas Bob Utter

World's Heavyweight Mat King Pat O'Connor made three stops in Houston during his recent trip to the Lone Star state and notched one victory with the other two resulting in stalemates.

Big "H" promoter Morris Sigel sent O'Connor against Lou Thesz in two scraps and then against roughian Don Leo Jonathan. The first encounter saw Lou and Pat go to a no-contest with the champion taking the second match. The best Pat could get out of the 6-foot 6-inch, 300 pound Jonathan was a draw. Had the judge system been used, Big Don would be wearing the global belt.

Luis Hernandez won the Texas heavyweight crown from Punchy Joe Christy on the second O'Connor-Thesz scrap. Danny McShane beat Bull Curry in the card with Texas Junior heavyweight champion Luigi Macera defeating Corsica Jean.

Other top bouts in Houston saw McShane win over Dizzy Davis; Curry flopped Luigi Macera in a non-title bout; Texas heavyweight Tiger Conway, a good wrestler and a credit to the profession, teamed with Ivan the Terrible to beat Joe and Jean Corsica.

DALLAS

Champion Pat O'Connor stopped in Dallas long enough to defeat Killer Joe Christy on a card promoted by Ed McLemore at the Sportatorium.

Moolah and Rita Cortez teamed to trounce Judy Grable and Pat Sherry in a special added attraction. Nineteen-year old Luis Hernandez and Danny McShane went to a draw with Bull Curry downing Poncho Lopez.

The 6-feet 3-inch, 320 pound Golden Giant won the Texas Brass Knucks crown from Bull Curry in the feature scrap of the month.

Jack O'Brien won by a disqualification over George (Zebra Kid) Bollas while Al Mills defeated Johnny Rebel by disqualification.

Bull Curry won two straight shots in Big "D." by scoring over Luis Hernandez and Poncho Lopez.

Ethel Johnson won the Texas Negro Championship by downing Babs Wingo. The Golden Giant defeated Al Mills while Brothers Corsica, Joe and Jean won the vacant Texas Tag Championship by flopping Angelo Martinelli and Luis Hernandez.

Judy Grable beat Rita Cortez and the Zebra Kid downed Adrian Baillargeon.

Amarillo

The toughest man to ever come out of the Texas Panhandle, Dory Funk, known as the Umbarger rancher, lost a tough match to Big Nick Roberts in a headline match promoted by Doc Scarpolis.

The match resulted in a near riot with Roberts being arrested. He was fined $50.00 plus court costs bringing the total to $69.50.

Tag action saw Art Nelson and Doug Donovan win over Sonny Myers and Joe Hamilton. Iron Mike DiBiase downed Gory Guerrero with Taro Myaki defeating Nick Roberts.

Champion Pat O'Connor and Sonny Myers were going great during their match with each recording a fall. Then without warning, Wild Bill Longson jumped in the ring and applied a pile-driver on the champion causing an injury to Pat. Myers won the match on paper but refused to accept it under those conditions. (Hero of the hour).

San Antonio

The best champion Pat O'Connor could get at the Wrestlethon during the past month was a draw with Rito Romero. It took O'Connor 31 minutes to win the first fall. Romero won the second in 19:45. Time ran out with neither man scoring.

Corsica Joe defeated Luis Hernandez for the Texas heavyweight crown with Ethel Johnson going over Babs Wingo. Danny McShane downed Rocky Colombo. Moolah scored over Rita Cortez.

Other Wrestlethon bouts: Romero over Jack O'Brien; Billy Strong defeated Al Mills; Romero over Corsica Jean; Romero over Corsica Joe; Romero over McShane; McShane over Tonina.

Wrestling in San Antonio is promoted by Dorathy Livengood.

Promoter Barney Myers headlined bouts at the Town Hall Arena during the month with Poncho Lopez winning by disqualification over Bull Curry in a scorcher.

Other bouts: The Zebra Kid and the Golden Giant were both disqualified; Lopez won over Corsica Joe; Tony Martinelli beat Luigi Macera; the Corsica brothers wrestled a no-contest with Poncho Lopez and Luis Hernandez; Luigi Macera and Dick Dunn went to a draw; Dino Bravo and Tony Barbetto drew; Al Mills beat Corsica Jean; Curry flopped Lopez and Judy Grable took a questionable decision over Moolah.

WACO

The Texas heavyweight Negro champion, Tiger Conway, won over Ed Sharp in a fine bout held at the Waco Arena and promoted by Judge D. W. Bartlett.

Other Bouts: Rocky Colombo defeated Benny Matta; Luigi Macera downed Col. Stu Gibson; Al Mills flopped Luigi Macera; Judy Grable notched a victory over Rita Cortez; Poncho Lopez went all the way over Tony Bargetta.

Promoter Danny McShane opened at the Forum as head-man with Champion Pat O'Connor defeating Corscia Joe in a featured title melee.

Other bouts: Luis Hernandez went over Bull Curry; the Zebra Kid defeated Poncho Lopez; Benny Matta and Jimmy Hines went to a draw. Ethel Johnson notched a win over Babs Wingo; Lopez and Hernandez scored a tag win over Tosh Togo and Ed Sharpe. Corsica Joe defeated Togo.

GALVESTON

The City Auditorium in Galveston recently saw Lou Thesz win over Joe Christy in a fine bout promoted by Norm Clark.

Other bouts: The Fabulous Moolah over Pat Sherry; Bull Curry and Poncho Lopez, no-contest; Al Mills over Dick Dunn; Dino Bravo over the Masked Man; Bravo over Tiger Conway; Johnny Walker defeated Fuzzy Walker; Ivan the Terrible over Bull Curry (twice); McKinley Pickig, a 300 pound Houston Negro, defeated Red Grant; Ethel Johnson over Babs Wingo; Poncho Lopez over the Golden Giant; Ed Sharpe and Angelo Martinelli drew; Curry-McKinley Picking no-contest.

HERB (DON) GERWIG
By Mary Hasley

A very impressive and talented wrestler, is that popular, Cleveland, Ohio boy Herb Gerwig.

He prefers the clean, scientific style of wrestling, but goes along with his opponent if they choose the rougher type. His favorite hold is the; abdominal stretch and drop-kicks, but masters all holds quite well.

Herb stands 6′ 1¼″, and weighs a well placed 228 pounds. He has an excellent physique, clean cut, soft spoken guy with brown eyes, and medium brown hair. He attended schools in Baltimore, Maryland, and was active in most all sports at that time, such as; baseball and football–his football team held the championship for 5 years.

Herb has met many top performers such as; Wildman Fargo, Buddy Rogers, Hans Schmidt, Gypsy Joe, Bob Orton and others.

Building model airplanes or tearing down an opponent are Herb's hobbies.

SOUTHERN WRESTLING NEWS
By Gene Gordon

Promoter Jim Crockett has been bringing in lots of new wrestling talent to the Carolinas and interest is at an all time high. The latest to invade this area are Pat and Freddy Fraley, the outstanding father and son tag team who made a hit.

On a recent Park Center card in Charlotte Mr. Moto and sidekick Duke Keomuka were victorious over highly regarded opponents Pete Managoff and Tony Baillargeon. This was a hectic battle and rough from the start. It was the first loss for Managoff and young Tony Baillargeon since they started out as a team.

The famous George Becker found Ike Eakins, known as The Kentucky Wildcat, a tough and troublesome foe but finally won. Veteran Antone "Ripper" Leone, the world traveler, who hails from Oyster Bay, N. Y., and Billy Two Rivers, popular Mohawk Indian from Canada, almost stole the show in their top prelim by putting up a slam bank battle that had the fans standing on their feet and yelling from start to finish. Although bleeding freely from the nose almost all through the wild scrap, the Indian came back strong to win this one after taking some rough treatment in the early part of the match.

Leone was telling me during a chat with the likeable toughie that his long time friend Jake, his bulldog who used to travel with him and stayed in the best hotels with his master had died some time ago. He had trained Jake.

Returning to Charlotte after a long absence is Chick Garaboldi. Chick is well known in Charlotte where he and brother Gino appeared at the old Armory many times. Also another Garaboldi, a nephew of Chick, Leo, was popular with fans in Charlotte and elsewhere.

In Raleigh, N. C., a capacity crowd at Memorial Auditorium watched Mr. Moto and Duke Keomuka against Larry Hamilton and Antone Leone in

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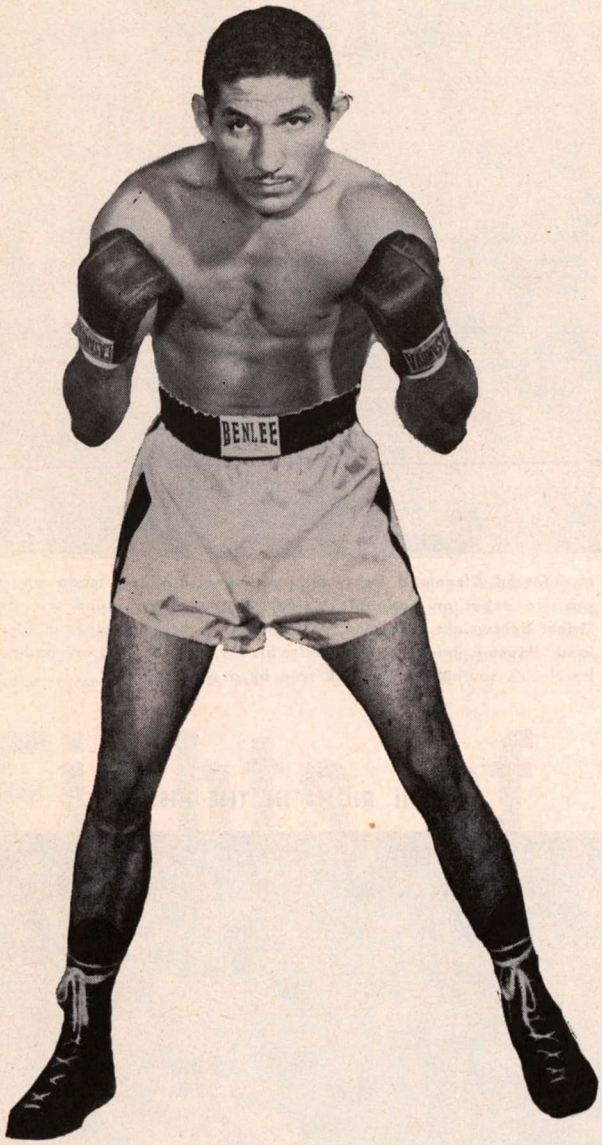
By FRED EISENSTADT



FERNANDEZ— NEW CUBAN KAYO ARTIST

WHENEVER Madison Square Garden matchmaker Teddy Brenner brings in a foreign or an unknown boxer to perform in the ring, you can make book on the fact that the obscure scrapper will not long remain unknown—because the canny young matchmaker is a shrewd evaluator of fistic values. Thus, when Brenner imported welterweight Florentino Fernandez from Cuba to oppose the speedy Stefan Redl at the Garden, those acquainted with Teddy's deep knowledge of ring talent, felt assured the bout would not only turn out to be a thriller but that a new boxing star would come into being.

And that, exactly, is how it turned out.

The 23-year-old Florentino Fernandez, born in Santiago de Cuba—Provincia Oriente, did "a job" on Redl. He cut him about the face and beat him to a standstill and stopped him in the seventh round. As for Fernandez, it was obvious, although he didn't really get to work on his rival until midway of the contest, that he is a fighter worthy of top billing, ready for any mittman in his division.

Florentino is possessed of superb confidence, ring ability, a jarring jab and a ripping right. *"Floro is cool in the ring,"* says Capt. Bernard L. Barker, who is one of the boxer's seconds, *"because we have him fight that way. Otherwise he'd cast caution aside, tear at his foe like a savage and attempt to annihilate him. But vicious as he is in the ring, outside of it he's quite the opposite. Gentle, polite, well-behaved, but every inch of him a fighter."*

He was christened Florentino Fernandez Coca. He's one of nine brothers and three sisters. The boxer's father passed away 20 years ago and his step-father, Dimas—a chauffeur—raised him.

At the age of 13, while attending grade school, all the education he had, Fernandez had his first fight when he boxed an exhibition. He was prohibited from further participation because of his age.

"Floro entered the amateurs at 17," informs Higinio Ruiz, the lad's manager and trainer. *"I handled him from that time on. He scored 15 victories, losing one decision —which he later reversed. Among his amateur victims is Luis Manuel Rodriguez, welterweight champ of Cuba. Now Luis and Floro are good friends, though both realize that they are rivals and someday may fight for the world title of their division. However that does not interfere with their friendship; nor will things change if and when they fight."*

Fernandez turned pro late in 1956.

His record—won all 22 bouts, twenty by kayo. Ten of them main events.

Among his kayo victims are former lightweight champ Paddy DeMarco, Rocky Randell, Eddie Armstrong and Stefan Redl.

"Whenever I fight in Havana, where I live with my family, most of them come to see me in action," reveals Floro. *"With the exception of my mother, Dalia. She watched me in one fight, but now she watches me only on television."*

Fernandez is a heavy eater. His favorite food is black beans and rice. If not watched, he'll drink quarts of milk or fruit juices or sodas or plain water—but no liquor. He does not smoke.

"My hardest fight," informs the pleasant ringman, *"was with Pablo Cardenas in my third pro contest. We punched each other all over the ring for four rounds, during which he dropped me. But I won the decision."*

Floro, whose favorite reading matter is boxing and baseball news, is employed by a firm named "3-Toneles"—which packs and ships brandy. The fighter handles many huge barrels daily, hence his muscular development and strength.

Baseball is his favorite sport. He is a regular leftfielder on a team.

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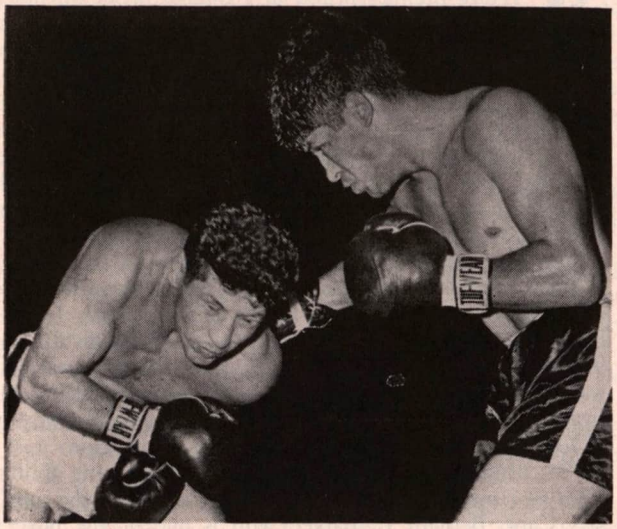
THE FIRST HUNDRED ARE THE EASIEST



Chico Vejar of Stamford, Connecticut, lands with a right to the back of the ducking Joey Giardello of Philadelphia, during their ten round middleweight go in St. Paul. Giardello, a top ranking contender, was lucky to win a one point split decision over his rival in a nip and tuck fight. It was the 100th pro contest for Joey while it marked one hundred and eight for Chico.

THE WISDOM OF SOLOMON

Undefeated Cleveland lightweight Solomon Boysaw, made an impressive debut on national TV with an upset ten round win over Orient lightweight champion Flash Elorde of the Philippines in Cleveland. Boysaw shown ducking under his foe's attack, was not bothered by Flash's southpaw style and won by a wide margin.

FIGHTS OF THE MONTH

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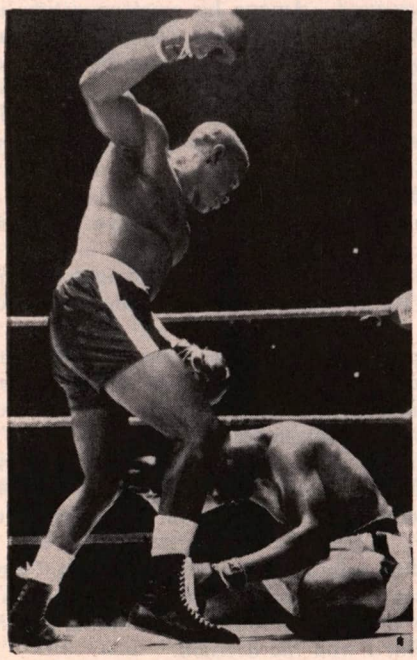
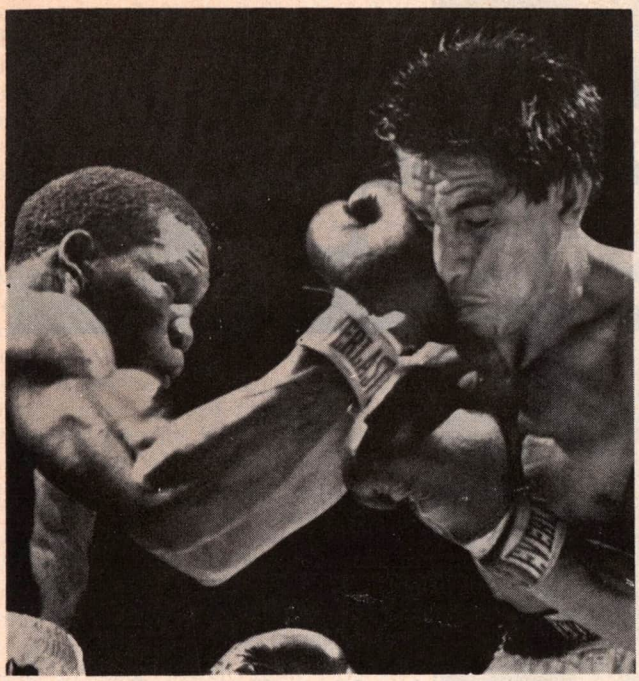


Veteran Cuban heavyweight Nino Valdes sinks to the canvas for the full count after absorbing a flurry of punches from Sonny Liston of Philadelphia in the third round of their Chicago Stadium bout. Sonny, the Number 3 contender, chalked up his 18th straight win in disposing of his rival. The end came suddenly after two slow rounds that saw little real action and few hard punches landed.

POW!! RIGHT IN THE KISSER!

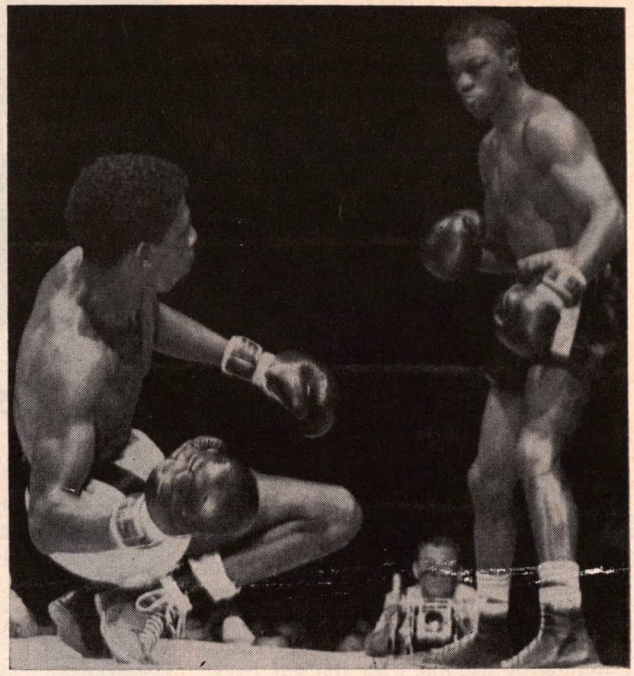
New Orleans welter Ralph Dupas lands a solid right to the face of New Yorker Frankie Ryff during their bout at the Crescent City in which the local boxer gained a unanimous decision after ten fast rounds between the two shifty lads. By winning, Ralph took the rubber match as they had split two previous fights.

PARDON MY GLOVE!



Cuban Benny Paret lands a stiff right to the face of Mexico Gaspar (Indian) Oretga during their ten round welterweight bout at New York's Madison Square Garden. Ortega, ninth ranked welter contender, held off a closing rush by the young Cuban to win the majority verdict in a close and hard fought contest.

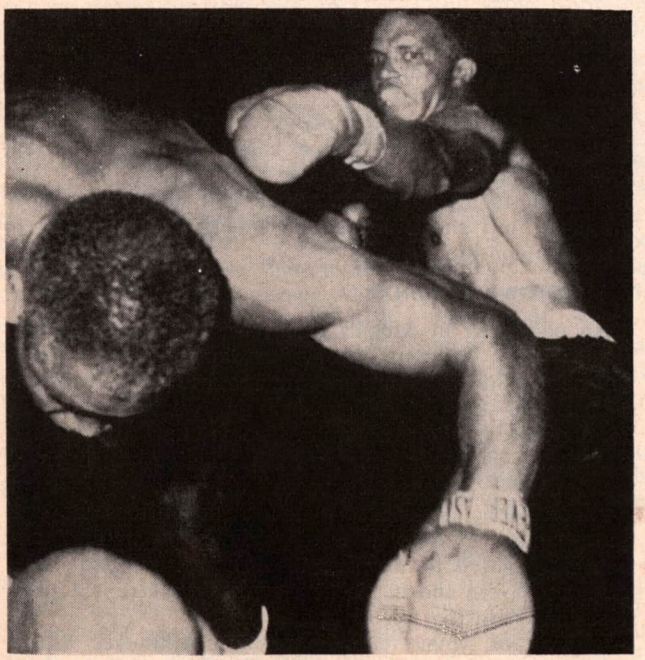
STEP DOWN!



Len Matthews looks relieved as he sends his neighborhood rival from Philadelphia, Candy McFarland to the canvas in the last round of their ten round lightweight bout at Madison Square Garden. Matthews chased the talkative McFarland for seven rounds before he was able to land any solid blows then won in a breeze.

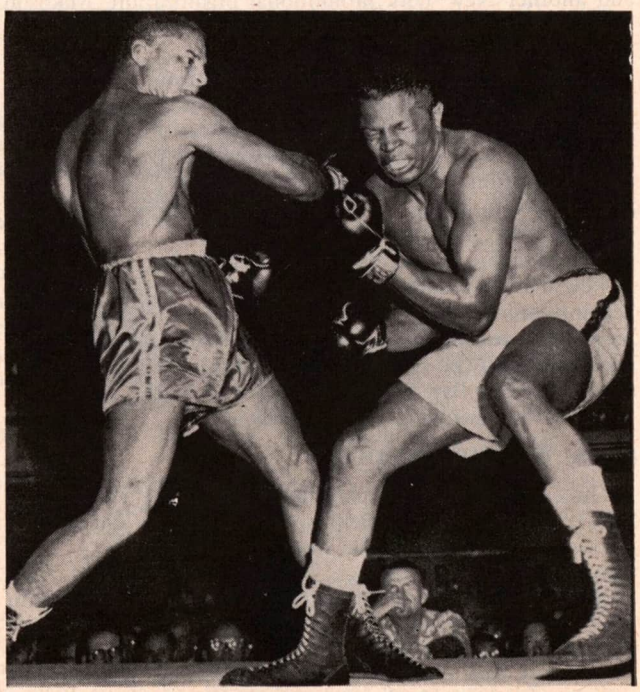
Fights of the MONTH

FLYING BLIND!



New York heavyweight Garvin Sawyer seems to be flying blind as he heads canvas-wise on one of the four trips he took in losing a one-sided ten round verdict to Eddie Machen in their Fresno, California fight. Machen is slowly climbing back towards the top after his kayo by Johansson last fall. He has now won five in a row.

BULL'S EYE!



Zora Folley, Chandler, Ariz. heavyweight contender, lands right on target as he nails Reno's Howard King to send him to the canvas for a nine count during their Sacramento, Calif. ten rounder which saw Zora come off the floor in the second round to take the unanimous verdict.

Seen and Heard in new york

By JERSEY JONES

WE trust we'll be pardoned if we seem more than slightly confused by the strange goings-on in the sock market these days. It's getting so the right hand doesn't know what the left foot's doing.

While the promotional mess behind the Ingemar Johansson-Floyd Patterson to-do, involving Cus D'Amato, Bill Rosensohn, Irving Kahn, Charley Black, Vincent Velella, Frank Erickson and divers and sundry other characters, is being investigated by the State Athletic Commission, the city's District Attorney and the state's' Attorney General, we have another odd series of developments in the middlweight title muddle.

First, there's a severence of diplomatic relations between New York and the National Boxing Association over Ray Robinson's championship status. New York elects to continue recognition of Robinson but the N. B. A. declares the title vacant and sanctions a Carmen Basilio-Gene Fullmer bout in San Francisco as for the championship. A New York promoter, Norman Rothschild of Syracuse, becomes co-promoter of the bout with local Benny Ford, and another New York promotional organization, Madison Square Garden, turns over its weekly television date to the venture.

Massachusetts, which had pulled away from the N. B. A. in 1957 when that outfit refused to accept the Virgil Akins-Tony DeMarco bout in Boston as for the vacant welterweight laurels, suddenly proclaims its desire to rejoin the Association. Simultaneously, Boston Promoter Sam Silverman announces a Robinson-Paul Pender match for the middleweight title.

Summarizing the developments, here's what we have:

New York promoters become affiliated with an N. B. A. "championship" match which will not be recognized in New York and a Massachusetts promoter arranges a title bout which may be approved in New York but not in Massachusetts if the Bay State is re-admitted to the N.B.A.

These are confusing days, indeed.

MOHA, GUNTHER, CAVANAGH

Three once-prominent personalities in this trade had the final counts tolled over them in recent weeks. The first to go was Bob Moha, 70, in his native Milwaukee. Then George Gunther, whose age was variously estimated from 80 to 88, died in Cedar Grove, N. J. Completing the grim Cycle of Three, Billy Cavanagh, 73, passed away in Central Valley, near West Point, N. Y.

Although they never were champions, Moha and Gunther were formidable fighting machines in rugged eras of formidable fighting machines. A ringster in his youth, Cavanagh became more prominent as boxing instructor at West Point and an outstanding referee and judge in New York.

Moha was a unique individual in at least one respect. In all ring history, he probably was the shortest 160-165-pounder to attain headline status. Bob measured only 5 feet, 4 inches in altitude but a normal reach helped to offset his lack of height. An agile boxer and a fast, straight puncher, Moha was a particularly effective infighter against his taller and often heavier opponents.

Bob's record was loaded with such names as Billy Papke, Jimmy Clabby, Cyclone Johnny Thompson, Sailor Burke, Dixie Kid, Jack Dillon, Eddie McGoorty, Battling Levinsky, Frank Mantell, George (K.O.) Brown, Gus Christie, Billy Miske, Leo Houck, Chuck Wiggins, George Chip, Mike and Tom Gibbons, Tom McMahon, Jeff Smith and Bud Gorman.

Some of the names appeared often. Greb was Moha's opponent on six occasions. Five bouts with Dillon and five with Brown were other busy series. Moha also tangled three times with a local rival, Ted Jamieson, and twice each with McGoorty, Miske, Wiggins, Christie, Tom Gibbons, Smith and Gorman.

A fighter had to know his trade to mingle with that sort of company, and there was no denying that Moha knew his.

Of Bohemian (Czech) extraction, Moha's square name was Mucha. He turned professional in 1905 after a brief but successful amateur career. He was then a lightweight but gradually expanded until he hit the top brackets as a middleweight in 1910.

Probably Moha's most notable accomplishment was to take a referee's decision from ex-champion and title claimant, Billy Papke, in a 12-rounder in Boston in 1911. Unfortunately for Moha, however, the bout was fought above the class limit and Bob couldn't inherit Papke's claim to the championship.

YOUNGSTOWN A "JINX"

An odd twist in Moha's record was that, in seventeen years of busy leather-pusher against some of the toughest punchers of his era, Bob had only two knockouts registered against him—and both happened in Youngstown, Ohio. Former middleweight champion George Chip stopped him in four rounds in 1917 and Jeff Smith halted him in seven rounds in 1922, Moha's last year of fighting.

When Moha decided to hang up the mittens, he continued active in Milwaukee ring circles by training and managing fighters for a while. Later he became part owner of a local tavern and in recent years had worked as a guard at various industrial plants around town.

Writing of Moha reminds us that Milwaukee boxing had a couple of highly successful "brother acts" in those days. The Mohas were one. Bob and Eddie, also a good fighter, were managed by Vince. The other clan was the Mitchells, with Billy handling the bookings for Richie and Pinkey.

Gunther had an exceptionally colorful career. A French-Algerian by birth, he was raised in Australia, and his ubiquitious ring career carried him pretty much all over the world. Three times Gunther's ring activities were interrupted by another and more serious type of fighting. He saw service in three wars.

Beginning his glove-tossing in Australia, Gunther was en route to the United States in 1898 when he stopped off in the Philippines as the Spanish-American War was starting. George enlisted in the U. S. Navy, with which he also journeyed to China during the Boxer Rebellion. Discharged from the Navy, George headed for the United States and later for France. He was in Europe when World War I broke out and he served with the French Army.

Gunther spread his ring career from the mid-'90s to 1925. George himself insisted he fought nearly 600 bouts, but like many old-timers he probably had a tendency to exaggerate. Available records credit him with about 200 fights. At one stretch, from 1899 to 1905, he claimed to have scored 38 knockouts in succession.

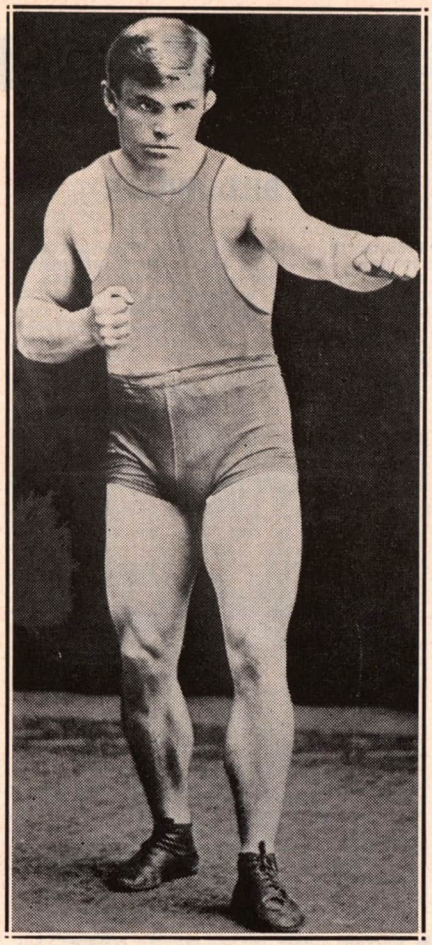
A middleweight, Gunther's most prominent opponents were Sam Langford, Kid McCoy, Jack Blackburn, Harry Lewis and Georges Carpentier. He wasn't quite good enough to beat them, but he did give good accounts of himself.

During the closing years of his long ring career, Gunther settled in Newark, N. J., and after quitting his own fist-fighting he continued active in the trade by training fighters.

There are no available files on Cavanagh as a fighter, but one of the newspaper obituaries said he had met Freddie Welsh and Jack Britton. If he did, he must have used another name, since no Cavanagh is listed in the Welsh and Britton records. Billy must have had a pretty fair reputation as a fighter, however, or he wouldn't have been appointed to West Point as boxing coach, and remained there as long as he did. A native of Lawrence, Mass., Cavanagh put in 30 years at the Military Academy, beginning in 1918. Retiring in 1948, he kept himself busy traveling to various parts of the world, visiting Army posts as boxing instructor and physical education adviser.

AROUND THE RING

For taking on Paul Pender in the Boston Garden, Ray Robinson has signed for 75 percent of the TV-radio revenues, expected to be at least $100,000, and 42½ percent of the net gate receipts, which Promoter Sam Silverman enthusiastically predicts will hit between $150,000 and $200,000. The match has been set for December 5. Out of the ring a year and a half, a rusty and aging Robinson (he'll be 40 next May) plans a couple of tuneups before tangling with Pender.



Bob Moha, chunky Milwaukee middleweight, who recently died at the age of 70. At his peak, the 5-foot-4-inch Moha was one of the outstanding performers in a middleweight division loaded with fine fighters.

A deputy commissioner for a decade until he lost out in a political shuffle a couple of years ago, Jack Duberstein has been re-shuffled back with the New York board, this time replacing Joe Tepper as executive secretary.

As a free-lance operative, representing promoters and managers, former Garden matchmaker Jack Barrett is doing well for himself. A live hustler, with a fine reputation, Jack has been responsible for some of the best TV and non-TV attractions staged around the nation in recent weeks.

Artie Curley complains: "They're moaning about a lack of local talent, but completely overlook my Long Island middleweight, Eddie (Machine Gun) Thompson. If Thompson were a spoiler or a dangerous puncher, I'd understand it, but he's one of the most exciting 'club fighters' around. In his last start, Eddie went in as a short-notice substitute and came on from behind to beat Benny Paret in a real sizzler at the St. Nick's. Yet Paret gets promoted to a main event in the Garden, and Thompson is ignored. I have nothing against Mexican, Puerto Rican and Cuban importations, but it seems to me that a local kid, with a lively style, is entitled to some consideration. Thompson's ready to fight any middleweight in the world."

ODDS AND ENDS

Writes Chester Walthen from Louisville, Ky.: "Reading about the fighter Mickey Shannon who was fatally injured in a fight with Al Roberts in Jersey City in 1920, I recalled a grim coincidence. Another Mickey Shannon died here in Louisville during a fight with Harry Fay in 1926."

After a busy year and a half of campaigning in European rings, Ted Wright of Detroit is back in the United States. The length of his stay depends on what fights his manager George (The Emperor) Gainford is able to arrange for him. If he cannot grab a few TV dates from Madison Square Garden and the Chicago Stadium, Ted plans to return to Europe, where he has established himself as a popular attraction. Operating in France and Italy, and fighting most of the continent's topliners in both welter and middle divisions, Wright accounted for 16 wins, one draw, two defeats and one no-contest in 20 outings."

The best line on the Don Jordan-Denny Moyer welterweight title affair in Portland, Oregon, was Al Buck's in the New York Post: "Jordan received $70,000 for a 70-cent fight." . . . It reminded us of Joe Williams' opening paragraph on the Gene Tunney-Johnny Risko bout in Cleveland in 1925. Joe, now sports columnist of the New York *World-Telegram*, was then with the Cleveland *Press*. We don't recall the exact wording of that paragraph, but it went something like this: "They paid Johnny Risko $3,000 for meeting Gene Tunney last night, and he stopped 3,000 punches. Can anyone imagine what would have happened to Johnny Risko if he'd been paid $10,000?"

THE month's results:
After a five-weeks' "vacation", boxing returned to Madison Square Garden with a couple of Philadelphia lightweights topping the card. In a ten that started slowly, gradually picked up speed and ended with some exciting punching by the winner, Len Matthews, 135, slugged out a clean-cut decision over Candy McFarland, 135½. The busy Matthews was aggressor all the way but had difficulty in the early rounds catching the elusive, back-tracking, counter-punching McFarland. As the bout progressed, McFarland, seconded by Middleweight Champion Ray Robinson, slowed down from the pace and Matthews' lusty body punching, and he had some rough moments in the closing sessions. He was staggered in the eighth and dropped in the tenth for the only knockdown of the bout. Don Warner, 186, another Philadelphian and stablemate of Matthews', was held to a draw by Billy Hunter, 189½, Detroit, in a hard-fought semi-final eight. Hunter was down for an eight-count in the fourth. Tom McNeeley, 195, Boston, roughhoused his way to a decision over Lou Jones, 194, Rockford, Ill., in six. In fours, Bartolo Soni, 180, Dominican Republic, outfought Henry Wallitsch, 187½, Brooklyn; Tony Santana, 135½, whipped a fellow-Puerto

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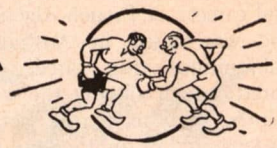
IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA



By BILL MILLER

THERE were a number of unusual features of the Escalante-Ursua fight at Stockton that still have Northern California boxing fans repeating their surprise reactions. Nacho Escalante, winner by a wide margin, announced his retirement after the contest. Stockton favorite Dommy Ursua failed to draw a large audience.

Third surprise was that, for the first time in the memory of most fans, Mexican enthusiasts outnumbered the Filipinos at Stockton Memorial Auditorium.

Veteran Escalante, of Mexico City, was in the midst of a comeback in which he had scored six straight victories over capable opponents. A few days after the Stockton bout, when Jose Becerra won the bantam title from Alphonse Halimi, many Mexican ring observers voiced the opinion that the Escalante who trounced Ursua, could give Becerra all the champ could handle.

But at last report, Escalante, 32, was sticking to his decision to quit while he's way ahead.

Each fighter weighed 117 in the Stockton bout. The attendance was 1100 plus, paying $2611 gross. Referee was Pete Morelli. Consensus of the officials in favor of Escalante was 98-93.

In a scheduled six, Bobby Gray, 131, Stockton, KO'd Feasell Vernell, 135, San Jose, in 1:05 of the second.

Results of fours: Joe Vargas, 125, dec. Al Carroll, 126; Fred Roots, 158, outpointed Benny Walker, 151; Moses Cooper, 147, KO'd Dick West, 148, in 2.

▶ An estimated 2,000 attendance paid a gross gate of $5,355 to see heavyweight contender Zora Folley, 201, knock out Chief Alvin Williams, 181, in the fourth round in the headliner at Fresno. Battle setting was the Fresno Memorial Auditorium.

In the decisive round Folley set up his Oklahoma City rival with a one-two combination, then put him down for the count with a whistling right to the jaw. Williams was still full of fight on arising, but Referee Frank Manfredo ruled that the Chief had failed to beat the count.

Folley, making his first start since being sidelined three months before with a fractured right arm, kept after Williams from the outset. Zora jabbed his opponent about the head and landed heavy right hooks to the midsection.

Floyd Joyner, 199, of Chandler, Arizona, a stablemate of Folley, stopped Sandy Assogna, 198, Rome, Italy, in the fourth round of a scheduled six.

The fours: Murphy Holmes, 155, drew with Fred Roots, 155; Dorsey Williams, 143, dec. Charlie Piatt, 137; Luke Souza, 163, outpointed John Womack, 164.

▶ The following month at Sacramento, Zora Folley, 198½, won a close ten rounds decision from durable Howard King, 203.

Folley spent most of the fight trying to hold King at arms length, while King kept boring in with punches.

In the second round Folley was dropped by a left hook. In the sixth he floored King for a nine-count and had him staggering throughout the final round.

▶ Experience scored over ruggedness and determination in the main event at Richmond, when Portland's Phil Moyer, making his Bay Area debut, scored a sixth round TKO over Tony Dominguez, Oakland middleweight. Weights: Moyer, 154; Dominguez, 155.

Gross receipts for the Jimmy Cosenza promotion were $2038. The program was put on at Richmond Auditorium.

Though Dominguez made a good showing, Moyer's superior ring savvy was evident from the first. Phil had a long record as an amateur, with 23 pro matches, against 11 by Dominguez.

A damaged left eye proved Dominguez' undoing in the sixth, when Referee Vern Bybee halted proceedings after an examination by a commission doctor.

Two former Golden Gloves champions, Julio Lau and Johnny Cate, engaged in an explosive six rounder, with Lau taking the verdict. Lau put Cate down twice for eight counts—in the second, and again in the fourth. Weights: Lau, 134; Cate, 131.

Irish Bill Pate used his left to good advantage to outpoint veteran Benny Walker in another six. Pate, of Oakland, scaled 153; Walker, of San Jose, 154.

Charley Robertson, 134, TKO'd Ronald Lopez, 137, in 2.

▶ Many thousand Southland viewers turned the knob of their TV sets to the Don Jordan-Denny Moyer welterweight title match at Portland. They were pleased to see the hometown boy victorious, but the action, or lack thereof, was nothing to exhilarate the most partial viewer. Gate receipts, $44,390; cash customers, 4,813. Far short of expectations. Promoter Tommy Moyer, the challenger's uncle, had expected a gate of $100,000.

▶ Danny Kid of the Philippines, 117, scored a smart upset win over Dwight Hawkins, 117½, L.A., at Hollywood Legion Stadium, and with the victory came the bantamweight championship of California.

Hawkins, favored at 2-1, started off strongly, but as the fight progressed, the Filipino's superior height and reach came to his aid. Danny's left jab kept Hawkins at bay, and the local boy was completely off form in the latter rounds.

It was a sharp disappointment to Hawkins' supporters, for on the strength of his knockout over newly-crowned Joe Becerra a couple of years ago, they were touting him as the No. 1 contender for the world bantamweight title.

Referee John Thomas scored it 119-110; Judge Joey Olmos, 119-111; and Judge Jimmy Wilson, 120-104—all for Danny Kid. Most of the ringsiders had it closer than that.

The gate receipts, too, were disappointing. On hand were some 2,000 afficionados—but they saw a good scrap.

In the six-round semi-final (Gawd, I hate that "semi-main"!) Emilio Flores, 133½, scored a close decision over Cotis Pace, 134.

The four-rounders: Willie Bell, 170, KO (1) over Lano Lazano, 175; Ray Trujillo, 127, dec. Jess Artiaga, 126; and Roy Simon, 146½, KO (2) over Larry Mercer, 149.

▶ Morton Moss, of the L. A. EXAMINER, got himself quite a wet bang: in one of his characteristic columns, he pointed out that Alphonse Halimi, the ex-bantam champ, cried bitterly because he had lost his crown to Joe Becerra. Senor Becerra cried—for joy, of course!—because he had won. And Sad Sam Jones, San Francisco Giants pitcher, cried because he had been denied a no-hitter by the official scorer.—But what's that got to do with box-fighting?

▶ Back to the scene of his first triumphs that started him years ago toward high lightweight rankings, came Eddie Chavez. Now an Oregon rancher, the former San Jose hero returned in the midst of a comeback campaign. The former No. 1 contender took a ten round decision over Kildo Nunez.

Weights: Chavez, 140; Nunez, 138. Nunez hails from Tijuana, Mexico. They fought at the San Jose Civic Auditorium. The promoter was Abe Acquistapace. The program drew approximately $1500 gross. Referee Jack Silver, the sole official, scored it 98-93 for Chavez.

Though Nunez scored effectively whenever he launched an attack, Chavez' experience and stinging left jab gave him an advantage in all rounds except the second and sixth.

Fred Roots, 158, Stockton, took a decision from Dave Brown, 157, in six.

Prelims: Willie Richardson, 183, KO'd Cleveland Graham, 193, in 1; Dorsie Williams, 142, dec. Moses Cooper, 146, in 4.

▶ Oakland's Lyle Mackin scored his 16th win in 17 fights by knocking out Frank Skidmore of San Francisco in two rounds. They fought at the Auditorium in Richmond. Weights: Mackin, 146; Skidmore, 149. The victory was an extra feather in Mackin's cap, because Skidmore had never before been knocked off his feet in more than five years of battling some of the West Coast's toughest customers.

A crowd of 1625 paid $2617 gross in the program promoted by Jimmy Cosenza.

Skidmore appeared ring rusty after more than a year's layoff. Trouble caught up with Frankie early in the second, when Mackin's left hook to the jaw put him down for eight. Skidmore went down again from a right to the jaw, and again took eight. When he arose in a wobbly condition, Referee Tony Bosnich halted proceedings.

Morris Duran, 134, S. F., won his seventh straight by outpointing Al Carroll, 131, Stockton, in a six rounder.

In another six, Al Vegas, 118, Los Angeles, decisioned Stan Davis, 122, Stockton.

Four rounders: Freddie Moore, 134, dec. Charley Robinson, 134; Charlie Pyatt, 137, TKO'd Ray Bett, 146, in 4.

▶ The 18th Annual Fight for Lives charity show at the Olympic Auditorium—1959 edition, that is—failed to set the river afire from a financial standpoint, but it marked the defeat of a hitherto untied and undefeated young Mexican named Mauro Vasquez.

His conqueror was Paulie Armstead, who was hastily pressed into action when Johnny Busso, Mauro's original opponent, was injured in a training accident.

It was not a unanimous verdict. Referee Frankie Van saw it as a 93-93 draw; Judge Dick Young voted for Armstead, 96-95, and Judge George Latka voted the same way, 95-93.

Gross gate was announced as $27,817., with about 7,500 fans on hand. Vazquez could salve his wounds with a $10,000. check; Armstead received $6,000. and a flock of lusty boos from the audience which was predominantly Latin.

It was a bitter blow to Matchmaker George Parnassus of the Olympic, for he had tenderly and carefully nurtured the handsome young Mexican into a terrific box-office potential.

Paulie, a smart boxer, nullified Mauro's offense by clutching and clinching his way out of trouble in the latter part of the fight, and he scored the only knockdown in Round 6 with a left hook, but it was merely a one-count.

▶ The enthusiastic welcome which Ingemar Johansson received in Sweden, following his ascension to the heavyweight throne, was overshadowed by the welcome accorded newly-crowned banty king Joe Becerra in his native Guadalajara.

The wire services reported that 300,000 people were in the crowds that welcomed the colorful youngster. George Parnassus, who accompanied Becerra, told Sid Ziff of the Mirror-News that it was more like a million. Three people were hurt in the riotous celebration.

"Two limousines were waiting at the airport", grinned the Greek veteran. "But the drivers couldn't move in any direction. They were completely hemmed in.

"The reception with President Adolfo Lopez Mateos was slated for 7:30 at the presidential palace. To get there, we sneaked out of the hotel through the basement and hid away in an ambulance.

"The Governor of Jalisco declared a holiday. All stores, offices and distilleries were closed.

"I'm 65 years old", concluded Parnassus. "I couldn't take any more. It will take me a few months to get over that shindig."

A sparse crowd, estimated at 1,000 saw Auburn Copeland, 128, defeat Billy Thomas, 126½, at Hollywood Legion Stadium. It was Copeland's first start under the management of Don Nesseth, and his much greater experience enabled him to coast to a unanimous triumph. Referee Mushy Callahan voted 98-91; Judge Lee Grossman, 99-89, and Judge Jimmy Wilson, 99-94. No knockdowns.

In the six-round semi, David Camacho, 132½, dec. Raul Serrato, 130½. The four-rounders: Carlton Lincoln, 168½, dec. Willie Bell, 171; Paddy Read, 126, dec. Paul Harris, 126¾; and Robert Walker, 137, dec. Ray Fields, 134.

▶ Baby Brown of San Jose made the hometown fans happy when he scored a fifth round knockout over Frankie Duarte. They battled at the Civic Auditorium in San Jose. Weights: Brown, 121; Duarte, 120.

Duarte, from Sonora, Mexico, put up a good battle until the unfortunate fifth. He was even with Brown on the scorecard of most observers. But in the third and fourth Frankie seemed to be tiring, and in the fifth he was the target for several fast combinations before a right cross to the chin put him down for the count.

In the semi-windup Toro Saenz, 161, San Jose, proved too aggressive for Willie Moon, 167, of San Francisco. Saenz won a six round decision.

Prelims: Joe Vargas, 122, KO'd Spider Walker, 124, in 1; Ronnie Perez, 121, dec. Wally Read, 118, in 4.

▶ Former fight manager George Braun, ill for a long spell, died in San Francisco. He

was active in the 1930s, when he had a stable of battlers headed by Manuel Quintero, a southpaw hailing from Florida.

▶ Phil Moyer, of the fighting Portland family, used his left jab effectively to take a ten round decision over Mexico's Augustin Rosales at the Auditorium in Fresno. Weights, Moyer, 150; Rosales, 150½.

Rosales was a determined antagonist, but his swinging attack seldom reached the target in the face of Moyer's shiftiness and fast countering.

Referee Frank Manfredo, the sole official, scored it 97-94 for Moyer.

The victory gave Moyer a 17-2 record. Rosales, claimant of the welterweight championship of Mexico, is now 118-17-4.

The other bouts were all six rounders.

Irish Wayne Thornton, 159, Fresno, decisioned Ed Hickman, L. A.

Johnny Balla, 173, Stockton, outpointed Tiger Jackson, 164, Madera.

James Stuard, 140, L. A., drew with Tony Noreiga, 141, Fresno.

▶ Getting only a casual glance from most readers, but resulting in a flood of reminiscenses by old-time boxing fans, were the reports in San Francisco newspapers of the death of "One Round" Jack Hogan.

Hogan was one of the most talked of local headliners in the Wolgast-Nelson lightweight era previous to 1911. He earned the "One Round" title by actually scoring 15 or more single round kayos over capable opponents in S. F. club bouts.

▶ Our State Athletic Commission, in the monthly meeting at Los Angeles, nixed the proposed world welterweight title match between Art Aragon and Don Jordan. But they agreed on an overweight affair between the two—who have met twice before, with Aragon winning both.

Al Wolf, L. A. Times columnist, had this to say:

"So Don Jordan and Art Aragon are going to fight after all, but non-title-wise. Excuse me if I don't quite get it.

"If they're well enough matched to meet at all—and the Commission has given its sanction—why can't it be for Jordan's welterweight championship while they're at it?"

(I go along with Mr. Wolf in that viewpoint.)

Sid Ziff, in the Mirror-News: "I'd be inclined to let Aragon have his 'Custer's Last Fight' ". No matter how many distasteful things the guy has or hasn't done, he's been a sensational fighter. He carried the game here for years. Let him have his last big payday . . . if you don't want him to go, you don't have to."

I'm in agreement with that, too. Just an agreeable kid.

In another column, Ziff points out that Aragon vs. Carmen Basilio drew $236,000, non-title; $130,000 with Vince Martinez, back in 1954, and certainly no title shot, or anywhere near it; plus a lot of fights which grossed over $40,000 in local rings.

▶ It was billed as a "State welterweight championship", but that failed to pack 'em in at Hollywood Legion Stadium to see Charley (Tombstone) Smith meet Reybon Stubbs of Pittsburgh. On hand, a "crowd" estimated at 1200.

Smith, 146½, the state 147-lb. champ, scored a 7th round knockout over the Easterner, who also weighed in at 146½. It was Stubbs' first local appearance, though he had boxed a six-rounder with Walter Tyler in San Diego in October of last year.

Just how that made him eligible for a California championship is something of a mild mystery. But why quibble?

As it happens, Stubbs put up a better fight than expected. He tried his best, but his best wasn't good enough. In the 7th, Tombstone nailed him with a hard right, dropped him for a four-count. When he arose and tried to continue, Stubbs was a soft touch for the sharpshooting Smith, and Referee Charley Randolph stopped the fight with Stubbs helpless on the ropes.

In the six-round semi-final, Frankie Ramirez, scored the unanimous verdict over Vince Davi, 148½.

The fours: Artie Fox, 156, dec. Eddie Hickman, 155; Rafael Gutierrez, 145, TKO (3) over Bill Porter, 143½; and Ollie Calloway, 133, KO (3) over Baby Contreras, 134.

▶ Back in 1955, Paul Andrews, Buffalo, was a light-heavy hot-shot, but he wasn't able to cope with young Curley Lee, a youngster in his 15th pro fight and first main event. The fight was staged at the Olympic Auditorium, and Lee, 183, knocked out Andrews, 195, in the 6th round.

Andrews quit the ring in 1956; returned for three fights in 1957; was out of action in 1958, and figured that as a full-fledged heavy he might get back into the picture. Curley Lee had other ideas.

It was a good fight before a rather sparse crowd, and Lee seems definitely embarked on his career as a main-eventer.

Walter Brown, 133½, defeated Richard Kirby, 133½, in the six-round semi-final. The fours: Andy Martinez, 147½, KO (3) over Earl Bastings, 142½; Antonio Cardenas, 129, KO (1) over Frankie Bravo, 125; and Pancho Castenada, 133, dec. Sonny Burris, 133.

▶ It was the 17th victory in 18 professional fights for Joey Padilla, San Jose lightweight, when he stopped Danny Dugan in the fifth round of their scheduled ten rounder. They fought at the Civic Auditorium in San Jose.

Padilla weighed 139. His opponent, from Los Angeles, came in at 136.

Dugan was battered through the ropes in the first round. Persistent Padilla kept pounding Danny with solid body blows, until Referee John Lotsey stopped the fight in two minutes of the fifth session.

Zora Folley, a ranking world heavyweight, coming back after several months' inactivity knocked out Chief Alvin Williams in four rounds at Fresno and won a ten round decision over Howard King at Sacramento.

▶ A fight that did not take place held top interest in San Francisco. Central figure was Jesse Bowdry of St. Louis, high ranking lightheavyweight, who was scheduled to meet Sixto Rodriguez at the Civic Auditorium. On the night of the scheduled encounter, Bowdry refused to go through with the fight when the California Commission would not give a second's license to Bernie Glickman, Jesse's manager.

Glickman had not applied for his second's license until the day of the fight. And the Commission refused the license because Glickman had been mentioned often in connection with the activities of controversial Frankie Carbo. Glickman is co-manager of former welter champion Virgil Akins.

Promoting the program was the San Francisco Boxing Club, Bennie Ford, matchmaker.

▶ Irish Pat Lowry, Toledo veteran, who turned in a good effort against Art Aragon a few weeks earlier, did much better against youthful Dillard Jackson, a young man making his debut as a main eventer at Hollywood Legion Stadium.

In a nutshell, Lowry, 148½, scored a one-round knockout over Jackson, 152, in what was scheduled as a ten. The time, 2:46.

Jackson had been picked as Southern Cal's "Prelim Fighter of 1958", after a brilliant amateur record of 39-1, winning the All-Army welter title in 1956, and going into the finals at the Olympic Games in Melbourne that year. He was eliminated by a fair-to-middlin' battler: Cus D'Amato's Puerto Rican ace, Jose Torres.

As a pro, Dillard had engaged in 16 fights, and his record was 13-2-1 when he entered the ring at the Filmville arena against the Ohio Irisher.

Promoter Jackie Leonard had ambitious plans for Jackson—IFF'N he won, that is. Leonard figured on bringing Jose Torres to Hollywood to meet the local boy. But the best-laid schemes of mice and men don't always jell, to misquote the immortal Robert Burns.

Anyway, Pat Lowry is in line for remunerative fistic activity out here where the West begins. He nailed Dillard with a hard right, dropped him for nine. Jackson arose, but seconds later a left-right combo sent him to the mat again. Referee Jimmy Wilson halted hostilities and h'isted Patrick's mitt.

On hand, about 1500 cash customers.

In the semi-final, billed for six, Lloyd Wilson, 139½, KO (5) over Jimmy Mitchell, 141. The fours: Johnny Ladnier, 125½, KO (4) over Beto Maldonado, 124½; Mauricio Morales, 124½, KO (1) over Jess Artiaga, 127; and Rocky Friend, 149, KO (4) over Chris Sull, 147. Five fights, five knockouts.

Football star Ron Waller—All-American at Maryland; all-pro in his first year with the Los Angeles Rams—has ambitions to be a fistic promoter. The handsome 27-year-old is married to the heiress of the Post Cereals fortune, reportedly $250,000,000. Waller is well-liked locally and with that kind of moolah behind him, can compete with anyone in the wide, wide world in bidding for fights. He would like to promote the Johansson-Patterson fight in Las Vegas.

▶ Hard on the heels of Joe Becerra's ascension to the bantam throne, another Mexican warrior endeared himself to the Latin fans of California when Raymundo (Battling) Torres, 134, decisively vanquished 6th ranking lightweight Paul Armstead, 132, at the Olympic Auditorium, L. A.

A partisan crowd of 6,500 paid a gross of $13,100 to see the fray. For Torres, only 18, it was his 25th straight win, and by far the most important of his career.

Torres, aggressive and colorful, had a big edge on all scorecards. Referee Jimmy Wilson, 98-91; Judge Dick Young, 97-90; and Judge George Latka, 99-89. No room for argument there.

What made it particularly gratifying to the aficionados was the fact that prior to his trouncing at the hands of Torres, Armstead had vanquished 12 Mexican battlers.

In the six-round semi, Cal Houston, 165, scored the unanimous verdict over Willie Barnes, 160. The four-rounders: Maurice Burks, 139, dec. Eddie Baker, Jr., 139; Jimmy Anderson, 159, KO (2) over Ray Lopez, 155; and Sandy Garcia, 115, dec. Walter Read, 118.

▶ A solid lead acquired in the early rounds enabled Johnny Gonzalves, 139½, Oakland veteran, to snare a split decision over Ray Riojas, Texas lightweight champ, 135½, at Hollywood Legion Stadium. Johnny's educated left hand and elusive skill had him well in front at the end of the 7th, but Riojas made a determined bid in the last three rounds.

The scoring: Referee Frankie Van, 97-94; Judge Russ Bradford, 97-96, both for Gonsalvez. Dissenting was Judge Jack McDonald, 97-94 for the Texas lad, Riojas.

On hand for the televised fight was an estimated 1,000.

In the semi, a six-rounder, Eddie Jones, 153, racked up a unanimous win over Deanie Crisp, 151. The four-rounders: Cotis Pace, 139¾, KO (4) over Maurice Burke, 141½; Ernie Cuadras, 133, dec. Ferenc Martinovich, 132; and Ollie Galloway, 133½, KO (4) over Collier Cox, 130.

A NOTE FROM MAX BAER

In Ted Carroll's recent article on Max Baer it was stated that he married Ellen Sullivan, a nurse from Buffalo, N. Y. Max in a note to The Ring, states this is an error. She was born in Ithaca, New York and was a dietician and not a nurse. He also says he, not his loyal friend and manager, Ancil Hoffman, got the idea of starting a trust fund, and that he has three children, James, 17, Max Jr., 21 and a daughter 15, who he declares is the Boss of the Baer Family. Thanks for the corrections, Max.

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THE MAT WORLD

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a main event in the Capitol City promoted by Joe Murnick. On the same program Cyclone Anaya cut Two Ton Harris down to his size and won a victory over the Memphis matman in the semi-final. Others on the Raleigh card were newcomers Jimmy Smith and Billy Cox. Both are youngsters who look promising and may develop into top names with more experience. Tony Casenza downed Jack O'Reilly in the curtain raiser.

Appearing in Richmond, Va. on a card promoted by Bill Lewis were Cyclone Anaya, Ike Eakins the atomic drop artist, Rita Cortez, raven haired Mexican spitfire and pretty Ann Regan, the red head from Jackson, Miss. Also wrestling on the Bill Lewis promotion at the State Fairgrounds were big rough and ready Jim Wright, Pat O'Hara and Chick Garaboldi.

Freddie Blassie who has been going great guns all down in the deep South and making a name for himself as the South's "Blood and Guts" Blassie the rough and rugged blond bomber is planning on a tour of South America.

Paul Anderson headlined a recent Atlanta program promoted by Paul Jones. The Georgia strong boy defeated Skull Murphy while Ray Gunkel, Dick Steinborn, and Don McClarity fought a wild battle against roughies Fred and Mickey Blassie and partner Gypsy Joe in a six man tag bout at Municipal Auditorium.

"ALONG THE WRESTLING TRAIL"

By Bette Krieger

Hi, Wrestling fans, it is really good being able to again meet you, along "The Wrestling Trail" and I do hope you won't mind my chatting with you, once again. It had been a long time, since last we met.

Letters have been coming in fast and furious from fans far across the ocean. Many have joined my club, for our champion, of the women's division, Moolah, others have joined for Great Scott.

"They said it couldn't be done," has been a phrase we have all become acquainted with, we use it lightly in the wrestling news, Tony Rocca, the one and only amazing "shoeless Joe" was in a class by himself. Now along comes a much smaller wrestler, in the pint sized Rocca style of wrestling called Zuma Manny of the Rocca fans are bewildered as they see Zuma wrestling a La Rocca. Some say that Rocca now has a shadow who may eventually become more popular than even the original. The fans see something new, they are amazed that there is another wrestler who can wrestle like Rocca, but if they watch close, they will see that while Zuma is great, this little man, will never out wrestle Rocca. Rocca, is not only a much bigger man, but also a much heavier man to have to carry a full 30 minute match with.

Fans ask what happened to the Great (Mr. America) Stanlee, his return to the Eastern Coast, success, and then sudden departure for the West Coast. Why the secrecy?

According to Gene, that fans had asked for him to return, and the promoter had sent to Los Angeles for Gene. Gene had been ill, he had a series of painful boils, and he then contracted a virus. Despite these setbacks Gene made his appearance and finally decided he had to recuperate since he wasn't at his best. Hence "the West." But he'll be back.

It's happy birthday time, and a big party was given the champ Moolah by her husband, Buddy Lee. The party was a huge success, and Buddy's Dad, his brother and wife, and his favorite Aunt, were on deck to help the Queen of the Mat celebrate. Violet Smith, her hubby, and sister-in-law had made the trip to South Carolina to take part. Too bad that the lovely and sweet Judy Grable, Violet's honorary was unable to attend but she was wrestling in Oklahoma.

It's welcome back to one of the mats favorites, known to many of the wrestling fans, namely Kenny Ackles. He looked real sharp last nite on a Bridgeport, Connecticut card.

That clown prince of wrestling fame, is back again in the person of Ricki Starr, the fans just love his playful ways, and never seem to get enough.

What a disappointment to see a "Jackie Fargo," over stuffed figure. What happened to Jackie? Jackie had spoken of bringing the other half of his team into our territory. No other than Don Stevens. My secret wish, that the Fargos' meet up with the Grahams, just for one match, then you will see fur fly.

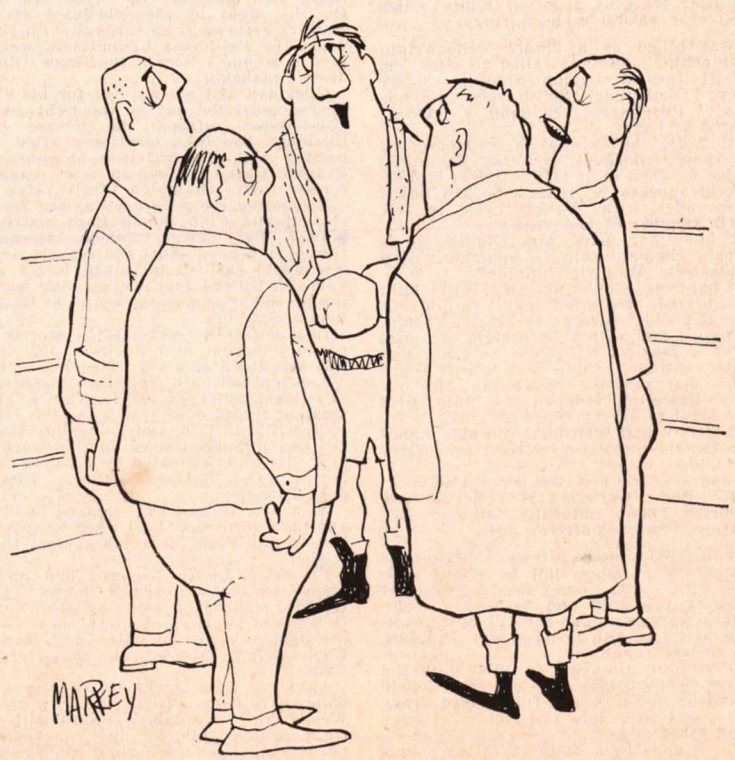
Red Bastein, a superb wrestler, and as a tag team partner, to Haystack Calhoun, the second part of a colorful tag team. Haystack can wrestle, and is a very fast man despite his bulk.

Al Smith, half of the "Smith Brothers" team, (John the other half, but not seen lately), Al of the mutton chops (Side Burns) a top grappler and a good villain is also a wonderful talker.

Sorry that I missed the wrestling fan club rally, due to a death in my immediate family.

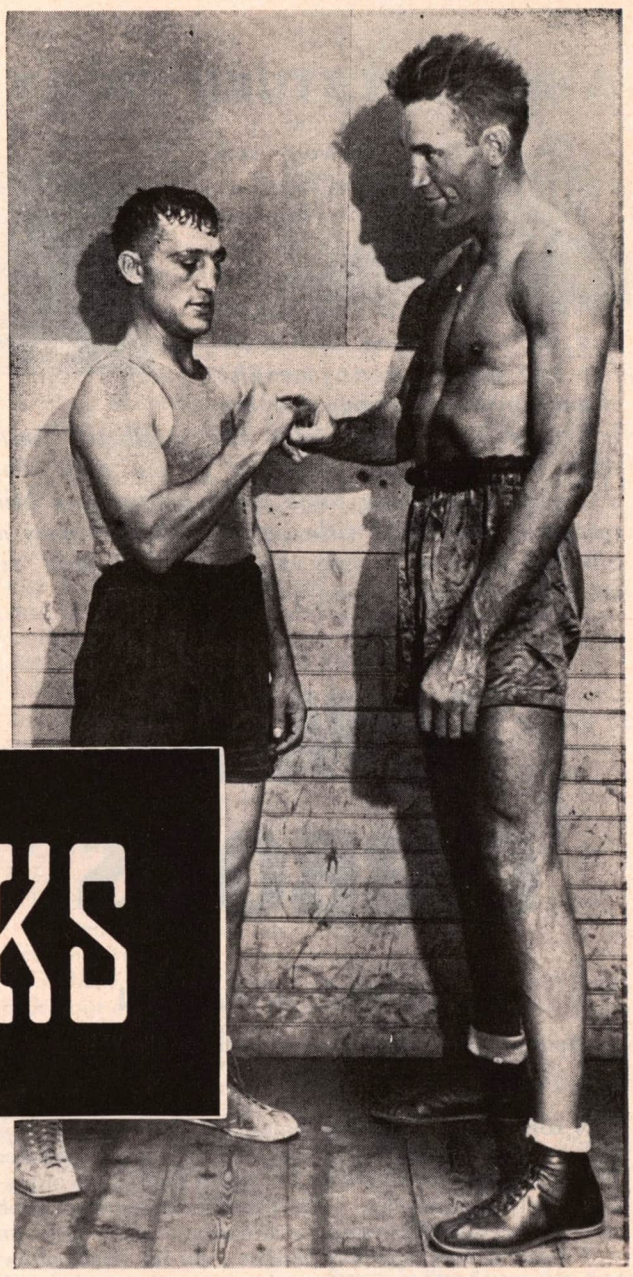
Our hard working Editor, Mr. Nat Loubet is on a well earned vacation, and I am curious to know, if the mystery of Hawaii was once again calling? Could be the blue grass skirts, the pretty Hawaii girls, and the gorgeous Hawaiian climate, plus the Alohas exchanged, by Hawaiians, and tourists of the States, anyway, have a wonderful vacation.

How about it fans, did you see your big favorite the other nite, on tv, wrestling? The favorite I refer to, is the Flushing Flash, none other than handsome and smiling Tony Cosenza. . . concert pianist, and wrestler. . . . Tony had changed his style of wrestling, from the clean and scientific to that of a heavy.



"I DO"

(Left) Then World Lightweight champion, Freddy Welsh, waves a greeting while enjoying a day of relaxation at the seashore.
(Right) Welterweight Billy Petrolle shows his powerful right to a pretty fair hard hitter himself, Charley Retzlaff, the Minnesota heavyweight, as Billy was training for his 1931 fight with Jimmy McLarnin.



FLASHBACKS

The Cuban "Bon-Bon" Kid Chocolate, did some roadwork for his fight with Jackie (Kid) Berg by jumping hurdles, but Berg proved a tougher hurdle and defeated Chocolate in their 1932 contest.

(Right) Former NBA Middleweight King Freddie Steele, a product of the Northwest, shows he is a woodsmen. He included log-cutting in his training camp routine.

A RING FEATURE STORY

"Go hunting with your son instead of hunting for him."

That is the advice to parents from Tommy Gibbons of St. Paul, Minnesota, one of the cleverest boxers in ring annals and an outstanding contender for the world heavyweight championship during the era when Jack Dempsey ruled the pugilistic realm with his iron fists. Gibbons is the man who achieved everlasting fame by engaging in a blistering fifteen-round title battle with Dempsey at Shelby, Montana, July Fourth, 1923 and received no compensation for his efforts.

TOMMY GIBBONS

By GEORGE A. BARTON

(*Sports Editor Emeritus The Minneapolis Tribune*)

(*Part I of III Parts*)

During his fighting career, Tommy enjoyed hunting and fishing. Here he carries some pheasants that he shot while hunting in the woods of Northern Minnesota.

GIBBONS, who retired January 1, 1959, as sheriff of Ramsey County after serving six consecutive terms of four years—24 years in all—devoted much time beyond the call of duty as sheriff, to work with the youth movement in the State of Minnesota in general and Ramsey County in particular. *"The Juvenile Delinquency problem could be alleviated immeasurably if more parents would devote more attention to their sons—and daughters, too,"* says Gibbons.

"I speak of boys especially because I am the father of seven sons. When my sons were home with Mrs. Gibbons and me, I dedicated myself to being their pal as well as a father. I took them hunting and fishing with me. In fact, four of my sons who still reside in St. Paul, or the immediate area, continue to be my constant companions on hunting and fishing trips.

"I can say in all sincerity that none of our seven sons ever caused Mrs. Gibbons and me any heartaches. It is with much sadness that I must report two of our sons died shortly after attaining manhood, but the five still living graduated with honors from colleges and now are successful in business and professional circles. I am also the father of two wonderful daughters.

"It isn't the fault of the schools and teachers; the church and pastors; or the police and sheriffs' departments if boys become law transgressors. As sheriff of Ramsey County for twenty-four years, I learned the fault in most cases rests with the parents who either are lax in disciplinary measures, or devote little time and attention to their sons' away-from-home activities.

"The majority of boys with whom I dealt as sheriff either came from broken homes, or were the sons of wealthy, indulgent parents who took little interest in their offspring other than housing, feeding, clothing and educating them. In many cases, I learned their parents did not insist upon their sons attending church regularly, or did not attend church regularly themselves, much less go to houses of worship with their sons and daughters.

"I learned, too, that in cases of some wealthy families, the parents made the serious mistake of being too liberal in the matter of financial allowances, automobiles for their exclusive use, and permitting their children to attend too many unchaperoned parties."

Gibbons not only dedicated himself to raising his sons to become clean-living, law-abiding solid citizens, but he was a tireless worker with boys and young men in St. Paul and the large area composing Ramsey County. He was very active in the Boy Scout movement, school police, neighborhood settlement houses and the Ramsey County Sheriffs' Association which he conceived and organized.

The Ramsey County Junior Sheriffs Association and Schoolboy Police always have been Tommy's

pet hobbies.

"I originated the Junior Sheriffs Association twenty years ago and have taken heaps of pride in its development and results," Gibbons asserted. *"The Association now has a membership of 650 wonderful young boys and girls. They are very proud of their Sheriffs Association and the responsibility invested in them.*

"During the twenty years the Association has been in effect, there has not been a single school traffic fatality. We have an annual Christmas Party for the boys and girls at which time special awards are presented to those members whose work has been outstanding. During the course of the party, the boys and girls elect chiefs for the coming year. Those elected are presented with gold badges, replicas of badges worn by regular sheriffs and deputies."

A sterling reputation for honesty in the prize ring and in private life paid rich dividends to Thomas J. Gibbons. When he retired as sheriff last New Year's Day he did so voluntarily. He had established such an enviable record during his first four terms of office that he was re-elected by acclamation during his fifth and sixth terms. Tommy could have continued in office indefinitely had he so desired. Gibbons, who was 68 years old on March 22nd, 1959, is comfortably fixed financially as a result of investing his ring earnings and sheriff's salary wisely, and never being a man of extravagant habits.

Since retiring from the ring in 1925, Tommy has kept himself in excellent physical condition by playing handball regularly at the Saint Paul Athletic Club; fishing and hunting, and hiking over the countryside with his hunting dogs.

The esteem in which Tommy Gibbons is held by residents of St. Paul and the entire state of Minnesota, for that matter, was demonstrated in a most appropriate manner when more than 1500 persons attended a testimonial dinner in his honor in the Saintly City February 24.

"I was 68 in March, so I decided to ease up and have more time to indulge in the things I always have loved to do —hunt and fish", Gibbons told the writer. My decision also was influenced by the fact all of our children have grown up, are married and left home.

"I will continue to take an active part in church work, civic duties and youth movement. I won't retire to a rocking chair until Father Time calls a halt on my activities."

Tommy Gibbons not only was one of the most skillful boxers of all time, but he is a remarkable man in many other ways.

Father of nine children by his first wife, the late Helen Moga of St. Paul, he married a widow, Mrs. Josephine Leinenkugel of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, mother of three children.

Several years ago in a poll conducted by the various Chamber of Commerce groups of Minnesota, Tommy was named near the top in selecting Minnesota's 100 most prominent citizens.

After being paid his largest purse, that of $110,000 for his fight with Gene Tunney in New York in 1925, Gibbons built a Catholic Church at a cost of $50,000 and gave it to the little town of Osakis, in Northern Minnesota, where Tommy has maintained a summer home since 1915. Cost of building the church at the present time, what with the high cost of materials and labor, would amount to approximately $200,000. Gibbons has been the recipient of a wealth of honors. Among them, in addition to being named one of Minnesota's 100 most illustrious citizens, are:

Elected King Boreas of St. Paul's famous Midwinter Carnival in 1946, an honor coveted by the elite among the Saintly City's business and professional men.

Blessed and presented with a medal by Pope Pius XII for his devoted efforts in behalf of the Catholic Church.

Made Knight of Saint George and Saint Gregory.

Chosen Father of the Year of St. Paul in 1941, 1951, 1952.

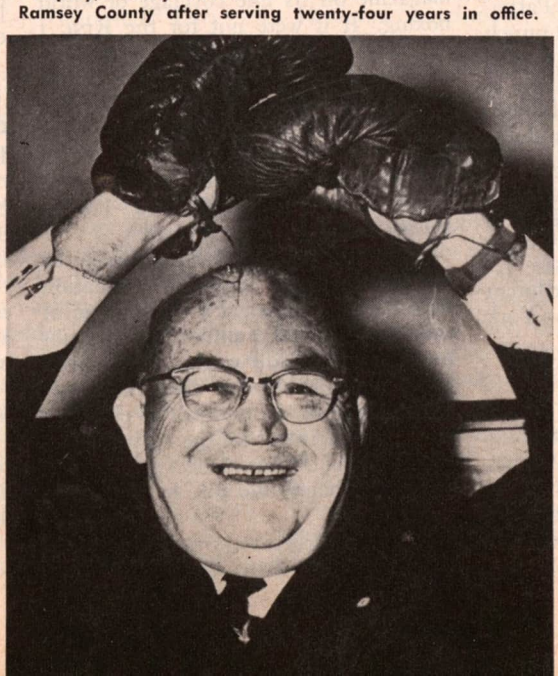
Elected to Minnesota's Sports Hall Of Fame in 1958.

Named St. Paul's Most Distinguished Citizen of the Year in 1942 by the Cosmopolitan Club.

Gibbons who was born in St. Paul, March 22, 1891, cancelled out of St. Thomas College after completing his sophomore semester, to follow in the footsteps of his older, famous brother, Mike as a professional pugilist in 1911. During a career covering a period of fourteen years, Tommy participated in 106 fights as a middleweight, light heavyweight and heavyweight. Of those 106 fights, Tommy lost only four times to Jack Dempsey, Gene Tunney, Billy Miske and Harry Greb.

Tommy gives some pointers on bag punching to some youngsters at a youth clinic in Minneapolis. Gibbons has done work in this field for many years.

Wearing the gloves he used in his title fight against Jack Dempsey, Tommy announced his retirement as Sheriff of Ramsey County after serving twenty-four years in office.



Dressed as King Boreas of St. Paul's famed Midwinter Carnival, Tommy reads a story to Timothy, one of his twenty-two grandchildren.

PUNCH LINES

FROM OUR READERS

FULL OF SURPRISES

Dear Sir:

In the midst of all the furore over Johansson's great victory over Floyd Patterson, there remains the fact that there is a return bout coming up, and I'll wager my last dollar that Floyd turns the tables. Patterson made several mistakes which he won't repeat in the next fight. He's too smart a boxer to do so. He won't, for one, be overconfident based on wild reports by boxing critics about Ingemar's lack of fighting ability. Those who think Johansson is unbeatable, have a big surprise coming.

Hanley G. Sanders,
Louisville, Kentucky

A VITAL AREA FOR DISCUSSION

Editor:

I was surprised to read in your last issue that you thought Johansson would have no trouble with Patterson or any of the other rated heavyweights. I had picked Johannson to take the title on the basis of his win over Machen but after going to the fight and seeing the films I am switching to Patterson in the return bout. Any fighter can K.O. an opponent or leave him in a helpless condition with one punch to a vital area if he catches him full force.

If Johannson were a great offensive fighter, Patterson would have been down for the full count on his second or third trip to the canvas. Patterson was never regarded as a great puncher and yet he only had to floor Archie Moore twice.

There is nothing wrong with Patterson's ability to take a punch. The punch Patterson received would have floored and possibly stopped even a man as rugged as Marciano. I believe Johansson has no skill at in-fighting and his ability to take a punch is doubtful. He held on to Patterson in the second round after receiving only a grazing punch. In the rematch I pick Patterson by a K.O. in about twelve rounds.

Arthur Worthman
Brooklyn, New York

FITZ FOUND OVERWEIGHT

Sir:

You are a brave man to write such a scathing editorial on the mobsters in your "Nat Fleischer Says" in the August Ring, and for this my heartiest congratulations. You have done more for boxing than those who have profited from it. I agree with you that it is a manly sport and that under present rules, boxing is as safe as any other contact sport. Most are far more dangerous. There are more broken noses in football than in boxing. Keep up the good work for boxing.

Now for some criticism. On page 29 of your Ring Record Book you state that Bob Fitzsimmons scaled 181 pounds. That is an incorrect statement. He never scaled more than 167, and then when he fought Jeffries. He won the middleweight title weighing 153 and kayoed my favorite, Jim Corbett, when he scaled only 157½. Never was he a true heavyweight. I also disagree with you in your choice of Jack Johnson as the top heavyweight.

May I suggest that the life story of Fitzsimmons by you should be your next book. I'm certain thousands of readers would enjoy it. Call it "The Greatest Middleweight of all Time," or "The Greatest Fighter of All Time", or "The Champ of Champs". Let's have it please.

D. D. Sievewright,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

(Fitzsimmons scaled between 157 and 167 for most of his fights but for his fight with Jeffries in Coney Island no weights were taken but Fitz said he scaled 160. The Cincinnati Enquirer listed his weight as 167 1-2. In his later years after he lost the title, he weighed as high as 181 but for his second bout with Jeffries he was 168½.)

HOW WE RATE

I would like to congratulate your magazine on its fine coverage of world boxing. If it were not for the RING I would only hear of the fighters who appear on T.V. I hope boxing commissions stop the freeze on the capable Harold Johnson before he starves to death. I am also wondering when Jimmy Powers will give Rory Calhoun credit for landing a fair blow. Powers always seems to pick a favorite.

I do not believe Basilio deserved to be included in a middleweight elimination tourney, much less get a larger share of the gate than did Fullmer. He did not beat any top middleweights before beating Robinson and has not beaten any since losing to Robinson. Webb and Scholz should meet for the right to fight Fullmer. Scholz has made a great comeback after being idle due to tuberculosis.

Results nearly always prove the Ring ratings better than the N.B.A.'s. I pick Patterson to win his rematch with Johansson. Floyd will be more careful next time and just as confident because he took everything Johannson had and kept rising like a champion. Most heavyweights and probably some former champions would have had to been carried out after receiving the punch that scored the first knockdown.

Steve Molow
Brooklyn, N. Y.

RECORD BOOKED UP

We have received your very generous offer of the Ring Record Book and will always prize it very greatly. Each and every veteran is just waiting his turn to have a look at the records. We all think that your kindness to us is one of the nicest jesters that anyone could possibly make.

You have certainly made a lot of friends personally, and also a lot of new "Ring Magazine" Readers.

The Veteran's Hospital,
Lafayette, La.

PAGING JOE BROWN

I have just bought my Ring, and I see by the World Ratings that our lightweight Champion Dave Charnley is number sixth. What I would like to ask is this: When is our Champion going to get a shot at the World Title held by Joe Brown.

Don Jordan, the World Welter Weight Champion, was outpointed as a lightweight by Charnley. I think it's time Joe Brown gave our Champion a crack at the World Title.

C. Crook,
London, England

ON BLASTING RAY ROBINSON

Dear Editor:

Why shouldn't Ray Robinson's title be vacated? If the champions in each division all refused to fight for fourteen months where would the fight game end up? If the champs don't want to fight, let them step out of the way, and let those who do want to fight go ahead. The public does not like "slackers" either in the ring or out. Let's have action, fast action.

No business can stand still, not even boxing. Holding a title and refusing to defend it, delays thousands of young fighters, from showing their wares.

Allan Branham,
Tucson, Arizona

BASSEY "HAD ENOUGH"

Hogan Kid Bassey's Second Defeat at Hands of Davey Moore Proves that First Fight for Featherweight Crown Was no Fluke

By NAT FLEISCHER

"Yes; I am beaten; I don't want to go on." Those were the words uttered by former champion and challenger Hogan (Kid) Bassey of Nigeria when asked by Referee Frankie Van if he wanted to continue his August 19 fight against featherweight champion Davey Moore. Van had been called to the challenger's corner by Manager George Biddles after the tenth round in the Los Angeles Olympic Auditorium.

As in the first meeting between these two little men on March 18th, when Bassey retired after thirteen rounds because of cuts around both eyes, it appeared that he was able to fight on. Oddly up until the last minute of the final heat Bassey was having his best round since the fifth. In the first fight the round before the last also saw Hogan do well.

Why did Bassey quit or retire? That's hard to answer. What is courage and what is foolhardiness? In America, you fight until you drop. In England, when all is lost, you "chuck it" and no harm done.

Moore, who came in overweight and had to sweat it out for an hour and a half before hitting 126 on the nose, showed no signs of the long layoff. He punched sharp and swift. Davey showed more aggressiveness and better ring generalship than in his cautious first fight.

Bassey, at 125 adopted an Archie Moore type of shell defense, crossing his gloves in front of his face. He was well protected by this manouver during most of the contest. He boxed well and was never outclassed. Nor did he, until Moore's last minute attack, appear to be in trouble, or even tired.

The fight was hard but no thriller. The excitement centered in the final fifty seconds.

A flicking left jab opened a slight cut on Bassey's left temple early in the second round but by the third the bleeding had stopped and it was not a factor in the fight.

Hogan landed a solid left hook to Moore's right eye in the third. The champion blinked and by the end of the fight there was a swelling under that optic which had had the ice bag applied to it between rounds. That was the only damage done to the Springfield, Ohio, titleholder.

The first seven rounds were too closely contested. They took turns forcing the action and did equally well at long range and in the in-fighting. Bassey was countering sharply and in the fifth shook up Moore with a long right hand lead to the jaw. The punch which Davey later said "did not hurt, I was sort of playing possum", did not look that way at ringside. It appeared that Moore was stunned and Bassey poured it on, but was unable to do further damage. It was the best round of the fight for the Nigerian.

The key punch of the fight came mid-way in the eighth round. After Bassey had carried the play for the better part of the round, the Champion landed a wicked right to the heart. The blow caused Hogan to shudder and grab. He fought back but some of the steam had left his blows.

The ninth round was fought mostly at close quarters, where Davey landed more often, but Bassey's blows appeared to be more effective and cleaner. The right eye was now puffing with most of the swelling confined to the lower lid and the area just below.

The right-left combination that had scored well for the challenger all through the fight again was effective as the tenth round got under way. Hogan landed a series of quick left jabs that backed Moore into the ropes. At this point, both looked fresh and quite capable of going the route. As they mixed in center ring, a long looping right to the side of Bassey's head dropped him. He had been pulling back when hit, and Referee Frankie Van ruled it no knockdown.

Hogan jumped up and rocked Moore with a flurry of head punches. Suddenly Davey opened his own offensive that swept the challenger into a neutral corner. Bassey covered well but some of the punches got through his guard and shook him. Hogan slipped out of the trap, but a stinging left hook snapped his head back and drove him into the ropes by his own corner. He was punching back when the bell sounded.

Then came the surprise ending. Although Bassey's right eye was damaged it was far from closed and he did not appear dog tired or be-fogged. Those who remembered the grotesque eye of Carmen Basilio in his second fight with Ray Robinson, or the tired pair that Carmen and Sugar Ray were as they clung to each other in dying seconds of that battle, found Bassey's retirement inexplicable.

Although behind on all three official's cards Hogan was far from outclassed nor did he trail by such a wide margin that he could not have pulled out a victory even without scoring a knockout. Referee Van had it 96–93; Judge Joey Olmos 98–94 and only Judge Charley Randolph's margin of 98–91 was overwhelming.

Bassey's future is in doubt. As for Moore, he is willing to defend against anyone. The so-called junior lightweight champion, Harold Gomes of Providence, R. I., would appear to be the number one choice for an American fight, as he ranks behind Bassey and South American Champion Ricardo Gonzalez, of Argentina, in the ring's world ratings.

The big money match is the one that Moore spoke of right after having his right hand raised in victory. That is with the recently crowned bantamweight king, Joe Becerra. Said Moore:

"I am ready to fight any 126 pounder".

However matchmaker George Parnassus said "Moore and Joe Brown would be a natural".

It took Davey seven trips to the scale before he was able to weigh 126, and he could be 132 or 133 for Brown.

A fight between the newest Mexican idol and Moore, who has done much of his fighting the past few years in California would be a big draw. But it is doubtful if Becerra, knowing that it was he, not Moore, who was the gate attraction would settle for the challenger's end.

The small gate of $47,140 that Moore and Bassey drew from an attendance of 7,450 points up that fact.

However Moore could profit from the experience of Joey Maxim who took the short end of the gate against his challenger, Ray Robinson, and came out with more than he could have collected out of the fat end against anyone else. This is the position in which Moore finds himself. Only a big guarantee from the Texas oil men on the behalf of Paul Jorgensen could approach what Davey could get from a Becerra fight.

From here that looks like the next Featherweight title fight, with the return Becerra-Halimi match holding the key to bantam action.

IN LATIN AMERICA

NEWS FROM CUBA
By Dr. Jorge A. Vieites

HAVANA.—MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION, PAUL DIAZ, 156, won easily in 10 from Jimmy Beechan, 153¼, Miami, Fla. After a year lay-off, Antonio (Puppy) Garcia, 129½, returned to the ring and slowly pacing himself, had Hilton Smith, 128¼, Tampa, Fla., on the floor in the seventh and from there on Puppy punished Smith to get unanimous decision in 10 rounds. Jesus Hernandez, 136, stopped Araldo Leyva, 134, in 2. Augusto Narvalle, 123, stopped Andres Perez, 124, in 3. Pedro Jose Banderas, 123¾, stopped Everisto Sierra, 125½, in the first round.

▶ HAVANA.—Angel (Robinson) Garcia, 132½, was lucky to get a close, split verdict, from Tommy Tibbs, 131, Boston, Mass., in ten fast furious rounds. Robinson's strong finish in the last two rounds impressed the Officials. Wilfredo Hurst, 140, won easily in 10 from Alexis Garcia, 140. Jose A. Napoles, 127¼, stopped Cloroaldo Hernandez, 130¾, in the third. Cristobal Gonzalez, 124½, stopped Angel Sanchez, 126, in 2. Eliseo Aguilera, 151½, won from Martin Reyes, 159½, in 4.

▶ HAVANA.—Santiago Martinez, 126¾, (one of the few men to hold a decision over world's champion, Davey Moore), dropped hard-hitting Mexican Claudio Adame, 128, in the ninth, to clinch the verdict in 10 excellent, exciting rounds. Martinez will oppose Urtiminio (Sugar) Ramos, next month, for vacant Cuban featherweight crown. Diwaldo Ventosa, 135, stopped Jesus Hernandez, 135, in 5.

William Roncourt, 120¼, upset Ignacio Perez, 119¾, in six. Marcelino Gonzalez, 147, won in 4 from Antonio Ma. Ballegas, 146. Guillermo Valdes, 128, stopped Herminio Follobal, 125, who couldn't answer the bell for the second round.

▶ HAVANA.—Felix Gutierrez, 117½, became the new Bantamweight champion of Cuba, by getting a close, split verdict in 12 rounds from Orlando Reyes, 116, title holder. The fight lacked color.

A soldier of the Rebels, Enrique (Mike) Casanova, 119, reappeared after a long time, and won a close split verdict in 8, from Jorge Nunez, 119¼ pounds. Jose A. Napoles, 124½, won easily in 8 from Cristobal Gonzales, 124½, also. Reiniero (Rey) Lopez, 194¾, won easily in 6 from Pablo Valderrain, 194. Glaudo (Pappy) Ferreiro, 123¾, stopped Tirso Rodriguez, 121½, in the third.

BOXING IN ARGENTINA
By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

BUENOS AIRES.—AT THE LUNA PARK RING, Rogelio Andre won by disqualification in nine over Vicente Derado in a lightweight bout.

▶ LA PLATA.—In a lightheavyweight bout at the "Atenas" ring, Guillermo Dutschmann won in ten rounds over Aurelio Diaz and Jose Castelli, lightweight, won by a T.K.O. in first over Alves da Costa.

▶ SANTA FE.—Raul Monzon, welter, kayoed Jose L. Palacio in the fourth.

▶ CORDOBA.—In the ring of "Cordoba Sport Club", lightweight Hugo Juarez decisioned Carlos Quintana in 10.

▶ BAHIA BLANCA.—Andres Selpa, ex-middle Argentina and South American champion, won by a T.K.O. in eight rounds over Andres Villalba.

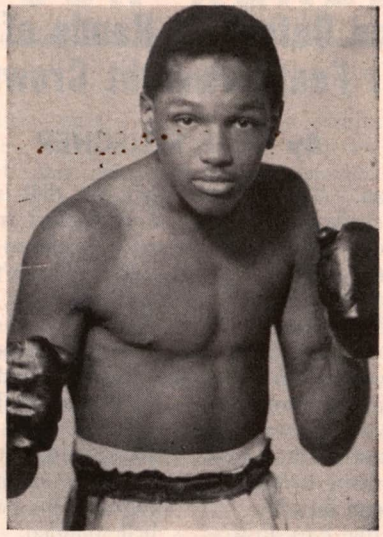
▶ ROSARIO.—Miguel A. Aguero, undefeated welterweight, won in ten rounds over Juan C. Perez.

▶ BAHIA BLANCA.—At the "Salon de los Deportes" ring, Manuel Seron won the decision in ten over Albino Jones in a welter bout.

▶ NECOCHEA.—Ruben Cabrera drew in 10 rounds with Renato Rossi in the welter class.

▶ ROSARIO.—At the "Norte" ring, undefeated Pedro Almagro, welter, decisioned Silvio Frias in 10.

▶ MAR DEL PLATA.—In the "Bristol" ring, Americo Cordoba, lost in ten rounds to Cesar Pereyra.



Edwin Sykes, Panama bantamweight who gained a spot among the world's top ten with his recent kayo win over veteran Manuel Armenteros. Sykes, holder of the Panama title, has lost but 20 bouts and lists Toto Ibarra, Walt Ingram, Rodolfo Ampudia, Orlando Reyes, Charlie DeBow and Felix Gutierrez along with Armenteros, among his victims. He is the first Panamanian in a long time to gain a place in the rankings.

▶ BUENOS AIRES.—In a poor fight and in the welterweight class, Jorge J. Fernandez lost the decision in ten rounds to Panamanian-Argentine, Frederick Thompson at the Luna Park ring.

▶ BUENOS AIRES.—In the Luna Park ring, Andres Selpa won by a T.K.O. in eight rounds over undefeated middleweight Antonio Nigri.

▶ BERAZATEGUI.—Juan Sibona, lightweight, lost by a T.K.O. in seven to Pablo Cardenas.

▶ LA PLATA.—In a welter contest at the "Atenas" ring, Roque dos Santos drew in 10 rounds with H. Acosta Balbuena and in the same class, Silvio Frias drew in ten rounds with Pablo Gomez.

▶ ROSARIO.—Featherweight Pedro Miranda decisioned in 10 rounds Oscar Vargas in the "Norte" ring and in the "Sud" ring, welterweight Rene Sosa, won in ten over Jose Figueredo.

▶ TUCUMAN.—In a welter bout, Emilio Ale Ali decisioned Angel Ahumada in 10 and in the bantam class, Juan Romo lost in ten to Jose Salvatierra.

▶ MAR DEL PLATA.—Ubaldo Sacco, middleweight, returned after an absence of eight months and decisioned Alfonso Moreno in 10 rounds.

▶ BUENOS AIRES.—In the Luna Park ring, lightweight Osvaldo Canete decisioned Nestor Savino in 10.

▶ BUENOS AIRES.—Amorindo Amicuzzi, feather, won by a T.K.O. in nine rounds over Aldo Gamboa.

▶ ROSARIO.—Miguel Saliadarre, welter, kayoed in ten Enrique Mansilla and in the lightweight division, Jose Palacios decisioned Omar Vivanco in 10.

▶ LA PLATA.—At the "Atenas" ring, Dario Martinez decisioned Francisco Ciucci in 10. They are welters.

▶ BUENOS AIRES.—At the Luna Park ring, lightweight of Cuba, Orlando Zulueta, drew in ten rounds with Argentina champion Jaime Gine.

▶ BAHIA BLANCA.—Lightheavyweight Carlos Vasquez kayoed Roberto del Blanco in one and in the welter class, Juan Seron lost the decision in ten with Juan Garcia.

▶ SAN LUIS.—Humberto Barbatto, lightweight, won by a T.K.O. in fourth over Jorge Fernandez.

▶ BUENOS AIRES.—Lightweight Miguel A. Pendola kayoed Rogelio Andre in 5 in Luna Park.

▶ CORDOBA.—Juan Burgues, lightheavyweight of Uruguay, decisioned Antonio Diaz, of Argentina in 10.

▶ BAHIA BLANCA.—In the welter division, Nelson Rizzo lost by disqualification in eight rounds to Anibal Rojas.

▶ SALTA.—Undefeated middleweight Farid Salim, kayoed Jose M. Nunez in 3.

▶ LA PLATA.—Pedro Benelli, lightweight, won by a T.K.O. in fourth round over Hector Tula in the Atenas ring.

▶ ROSARIO.—In the feather class, undefeated Santos Simili decisioned Oscar Vargas in 10.

▶ LA PLATA.—Welterweight Roque dos Santos kayoed Jorge Mayer in three.

▶ OLAVARRIA.—In the lightheavyweight class, Agustin Oscar Velasquez won by a T.K.O. in third round over Carlos Buffi.

▶ BUENOS AIRES.—At the Luna Park Stadium, Joe Miceli lost by a T.K.O. in seven to Jorge Fernandez. It was a mismatch.

BOXING IN PANAMA
By Juan C. Copeland

Panama National Gym, Panama City: Promoter Luis Craig. Manuel Armenteros, 119½, transplanted Cuban from Mexico, made his second local start an impressive one as he kayoed featherweight Roberto Murillo, 122¼, when Roberto was counted out sitting on his stool as the bell for the ninth round sounded. Manuel looked much more impressive than in his loss to Toto Ibarra as he was in complete command and floored his foe in the fourth and sixth rounds.

Promising Eloy Henry, 122, kept his winning streak intact as he halted Antonio Gonzalez, 122, in 2:48 of the first round. Ezequiel Arroyo, 131, got off the deck twice in the opening round and gained the verdict over Rolly McKay, 129, 4; and Carlos Cruz, 109¾, won a unanimous decision over Eligio Pontilles, 112½, in the opening four.

Panama National Gym, Panama City: It was a big night for Panama as the National Bantamweight Champion, Edwin Sykes, 121, was awarded a seven round kayo victory over Manuel Armenteros, 121, Mexico, when Armenteros suffered a deep cut over his right eye. Armenteros was well ahead on all score cards and had twice decked his opponent before the fight was stopped. A rematch is in order and should draw a full house.

In a real crowd pleaser, Vicente Worrell, 126¼, took the nod over Jose Gondola, 129, in six rounds. Roy Best, 128, whipped Rolly McKay, 131¼, 4, and Percy Redman, 122½, kayoed Cisco Kid, 118½, in 1:09 of the first round.

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCE
By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

MANUEL "THE BEAR" MATEOS AND MEL DIPP staged 4 shows during the month in the Arena Olympica of Gomez Palacio and the results of same follow.

▶ MUSCULAR BOY, the Herculean Keed, Jesus "Chuca" Rodriguez, 132, scored his most valuable triumph when he kayoed hard hitting Antonio "Zorrito" Ramirez, 135, in five. Young Hercules floored Zorrito five times.

In other tener, little savage, Cain Rogero, 119, halted Juan Perales, 118, in the eighth. Tony Ibarra, 135, upset Manuel Favela, 140, in the scheduled 8-rounder. Salvador Guerrero, 117, bested Lupe Sanchez, 116, in six. Lucio Polina Hidalgo, 124, outscored Trini Astorga, 123, in 4 rounds.

▶ Hopalong Chino rides again! The veteran Cesar "Chino" Saavedra, 130, easily handled southpaw "Pajaro" Mejorado, 133, with his famous left and he put The Bird in bed in the tenth round. Saavedra floored his foe three times.

Newcomer Carlos Rios, 130, kayoed "Chato" Hernandez, 136, in the third round. Jesus "ChuChu" Garcia, 124, surprised favorite Jose Lopez, 123, when he scored a clean

6-round kayo triumph. Faustino "Choco" Lucero, 130, halted Ernesto Chavarria, 133, in four. Humberto Martinez, 117, bested Hilario Ovalle, 118, in the 4-rounder.

▶ Little "Cuervo" Salinas, 116, Mexico City, outboxed Cain Rogero, 119, all the way, but the Officials feasted Cain with a 10-round decision triumph. The fans booed the verdict. Bottles and chairs were hurled into the ring!

Carlos Rios, 132, got a booed split 10-round duke over brave Paulino "Kangaroo" Araujo, 136. Tony Ibarra, 143, and Andres Herrera, 145, drew after 8 rounds. Homero Garcia, 129, kayoed "Negro" Novella, 130, in three. Salvador Guerrero, 117, decisioned Humberto Martinez, 117, in four rounds.

▶ With 3 left-hooks to the midsection, veteran Cesar "Chino" Saavedra, 130, floored Pedro "Vetarra" Rodriguez, 134, three times to score a clean 10-round decision triumph.

In the semifinal, Facundo Martinez, 120, easily stopped "Gallito" Garcia, 125, in four rounds. Manuel Favela, 138, was too experienced and big for gallant Faustino "Choco" Lucero, 132, who lost the 8-round decision. Jesus Segovia, 117, stopped Max Lecea, 115, in the second and Luis Ramirez, 118, outpointed Trini Astorga, 120, in four rounds.

▶ MATAMOROS: — Sabino Mendez, 120, knocked out Chaparro DeLeon, 118, in the ninth. Lauro "Tigre" Martinez, 124, stopped "Sordmudo" Viesca, 123, also in nine. Kid Valle, 118, iced Paquito Lara, 117, in the fourth.

▶ MATAMOROS:—Panchito Saldlivar, 117, and young Carlos Hernandez, 119, drew in ten furious rounds.

▶ MATAMOROS: — David Rodriguez, 119, stopped Baby Zarate, 124, in the sixth. "Chato" Herrera, 126, defeated Eduardo Ledesma, 127, in ten.

▶ CHIHUAHUA:—Luis "Mananitas" Sanchez, 127, and Paulino "Kangaroo" Araujo, 133, drew in eight rounds. "Polin" Ramirez, 125, bested Mike Heredi, 123, in 8.

▶ CAMARGO:—The Rio Florido topnotcher, Babe Concer, 147, put "Gorila" Rivas, 150, to sleep in two. This Concer man is a real tiger around his town.

▶ PACHUCA:—Adolfo Olguin, 133, kayoed Cuban Tiger Ringo, 136, in seven rounds. Porfirio "Raton" Perez, 117, iced "Sonny" Flores, 118, in two.

▶ MATAMOROS:—Carlos Hernandez, 119, decisioned Guillermo Rubio, 121, in ten. "Coneja" Hernandez, 125, won over Lauro Martinez, 126, also in ten.

▶ GUADALAJARA:—Joe Medel, 116, the skinny Huitlacoche for the Tepito Bowery, and one of the ten little mosquitoes rated by THE RING, scored an 8-round kayo win over Sailorboy Javier "Popeye" Garfias, 119. Tibico Torres, 118, outscored "Monito" Hernandez, 119, in the 10-round semifinal.

▶ MONTERREY: — "Torito" Mota, 118, stopped gallant Panchito Saldivar, 117, in seven furious heats.

▶ OAXACA:—"Gallito" Segundo, 117, halted Marcel Montoya, 115, in the third.

▶ COLIMA:—Chucho "Kid" Oliva, 127, upset favorite Rudy Coronado, 125, in ten.

▶ SAN ANDRES TUXTLA:—The Big Chief of Balmis Street, Ernesto Figueroa, 129, had to work a little hard to get a ten round duke over such "Chango" Antemate, 131.

▶ PACHUCA:—Porfirio "Raton" Perez, 118, bested Baby Tinajero, 119, in eight.

▶ MONTERREY:—Tony Lopez, 136, stopped veteran Genaro Serafin, 131, in three. Panchito Villa II, 125, iced Memo Balderas, 125, in the sixth.

▶ GUADALAJARA:—Jesus Celes, 133, halted Al Olivera, 136, in five. "Cachorro" Martinez, 125, outscored Luis Brito, 126, in ten.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Juan Ibares, 118, surprised when he kayoed rugged Eloy Sanchez, 119, in the sixth. Jose Lomeli, 119, halted "Negro" Martinez, 120, in two.

▶ BUENAVENTURA:—Miguel Lassus, 118, the little Cuban spider, knocked out Chuy Guerrero, 117, in the tenth round.

▶ OAXACA:—Ramon "Torbellino" Sanchez, 120, outscored Roberto Mar, 117, in ten. Goyo Sanchez, 129, and Alvaro Collado, 130, drew after 8 rounds.

▶ COLIMA:—Moi Torres, 126, outpointed "Chamaco" Figueroa, 125, in ten rounds.

▶ OBREGON:—Everardo Armenta, 154, kayoed Bob Terrance, 150, Tucson, in the eighth. Rudy Corona, 119, bested Frankie Silva, 122, in ten. Tony Lopez Smith, 132, halted Benny Suarez, 132, in the fifth. Manny Linson, 121, and Jose Luis Vaquera, 122, drew in six.

▶ TIJUANA:—Gaspar "Indio" Ortega, 145, outboxed young Ray Terrazas, 146, in ten. Toro Saenz, 160, decisioned Francisco Echeverria, 150, in the 8-round semifinal.

▶ JUAREZ:—David Cervantes, 147, put to sleep Marcelo Vargas, 145, in three. Roberto "Perro" Hernandez, 124, stopped Panchito Gonzalez, 122, also in the third. Nacho Paredes, 122, decisioned Juanito Mendoza, 118, in six.

▶ CHIHUAHUA:—Fidel Lucero, 134, the crane boy from the Penoles Smelting, got the duke over Hector Garcia, 130, after ten rounds.

▶ PACHUCA:—Jorge Alatorre, 119, whipped Tibico Torres, 117, in ten. Ricardo Reyes, 126, halted "Cubanito" Avila, 125, in the seventh.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Tough, rough and experienced Angel Guerrero, 128, put the red light to undefeated Juanito Ramirez, 130, in the ninth round. Juanito, who had 26 wins without any defeat, was well ahead on points before the finish, but suddenly he became exhausted and the referee stopped the fight. In the scheduled 8-round semi, Esteban Figueroa, 110, won by disqualification over Felix Padilla, 111, in the second heat.

▶ MONTERREY:—Gregorio "Goyo" Flores, 118, outscored "Pulga" Serrano, 117, in ten. The little Black Horse from La Laguna floored Serrano in the eighth for a 7 second count. "Dinamita" Aguirre, 134, bested Lalo Duque, 136, in the 10-round semi; the defeated visited the canvas for two times.

▶ OAXACA:—Enrique Castillo, 136, decisioned Ruben Cadema, 135, in ten. Manuel Arazola "Cocaina", 118, whipped Alex Rojas, 117, in the other tener.

▶ GUADALAJARA:—Saul Becerril, 117, got a 10-round draw with favorite Ray Ruiz, 117. "Monito" Hernandez, 118, stopped Rafael Ayala, 120, in four.

▶ LA PAZ:—Everardo Armenta, 154, embalmed veteran Enrique Esqueda, 149, in the fifth. Lucio Flores, 124, defeated Daniel Amieva, 123, in ten.

▶ GUAYMAS:—Bob Terrance, 150, Tucson, easily decisioned Jess Bogart, 154, in ten.

▶ SAN JOSE RIO HONDO:—Joel "Mulo" Gutierrez, 135, hard hitter veteran, made a fine comeback when he kayoed Raul Arrieta, 136, in two.

▶ REYNOSA:—Kid Anahuac (Humberto Martinez), 128, won easily from Ray Zamora, 126, in ten. Gildo Vargas, 126, stopped Kid Puebla, 126, in the ninth.

▶ CHIHUAHUA:—Alfredo "Al" Nevarez, 135, the classy boy that Manuel Auza built, got a split duke over fancy dancer Ezequiel "Chicles" Uribe, 138, in ten. Polin Ramirez, 125, outscored Ismael Gutierrez, 124, in the other 10-rounder.

▶ ACAPULCO:—Lauro Garcia, 117, bested Alberto Soto, 119, in ten. "Pollero" Garcia, 118, decisioned Hermelindo Mondragon, 118, in eight.

▶ MONTERREY: — David Rodriguez, 122, scored a 9-round knockout over rough Luis Gutierrez, 125, Mexico City. Arturo Vazquez, 117, won a decision over Chaparro DeLeon, 117, in ten.

▶ GUADALAJARA:—"Jaibo" Carranza, 138, and Jesus Celes, 136, drew in ten well fought rounds.

▶ OAXACA:—Rafael Camacho, 134, put to sleep Leonard McKindo, 136, Panama, C. A., in two. Alvard Collado, 134, the Banana Keed from Tabasco, whipped Tabaquito Kid, 133, in ten.

▶ VERACRUZ:—"Raton" Vargas, 124, outweighed and outscored little "Gallito" Segundo, 117, in ten furious rounds.

▶ TIJUANA:—Kid Irapuato (Ramon Perez), 126, upset topnotcher Ernesto Parra, 127, in ten. Parra visited the canvas in the ninth round.

▶ PUEBLA:—Jose Luis Mora, 117, classy bantam of Mexico City, scored a clean kayo triumph over Baby Tinajero, 119, in eight.

▶ REYNOSA:—Federico "Baby" Alonso, 132, got the duke over Kid Filipino (Pascual Jimenez), 136, in ten.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

THE FIGHT OF THE MONTH FOR JULY, WAS THAT BETWEEN Baby Vazquez and Al Urbina for the national lightweight title, which was "frozen" according to the local Boxing Commission. Vazquez was the champion and Urbina the challenger. They fought on June 13 and the verdict favored Urbina. Most people were not satisfied with the verdict and a few days later, the title was "frozen", which meant neither was the champion and that they had to fight for the title again.

This time Vazquez could continue fighting when the gong rang for the eighth round. Here are the bouts of the month:

▶ Manuel Jimenez, 127, stopped Jaibo Carranza, 127, in the tenth. Victorio Guzman, 134, stopped Roberto Ortega, 133, in 7. Manuel Esparza, 126, stopped Juan Escobar, 126, in 2. Fidel Salcedo, 118, decisioned Kid Chilapa, 118, in 6. Javier Torres, 134, stopped Rodolfo Garcia, 135, in 2.

▶ Ezequiel Uribe, 135, stopped Carlos Arregui, 135, in 8. Monito Luna, 118, decisioned Eleazar Gonzalez, 118, in 8. Panchito Gonzalez, 118, decisioned Fidel Cruz, 118, in 6. Roberto Bravo, 126, stopped David Gomez, in 1. Chuy Gonzalez, 126, decisioned Carlos Sanchez, 126, in 4.

▶ Alex Jimenez, 118, decisioned Jesus Baby Salazar, 118, in 10. Ernesto Barrera, 113, decisioned Delfino Martinez, 113, in 8. Chucho Zarate, 134, stopped Javier Torres, 133, in 6. Pichi Martinez, 126, stopped Martin Sanchez, 126, in 5. Victor Aguilar, 112, stopped Indio Jose, 112, in 4.

▶ Ernesto Figueroa, 131, and Manuel Alvarez, 128, Argentina, drew in 10. Lalo Camarena, 128, decisioned Chebo Vazquez, 127, in 10. Roman Nava, 145, stopped Kid Tlaxcala, 144, in 1. Julio Moreno, 115, decisioned Jose Luis Valdez, 118, in 6. Rafael Lopez, 135, stopped Bernardino Bustillos, 134, in 2.

▶ Manuel Jimenez, 126, decisioned Max Huerta, 126, in 10. German Reyes, 126, drew with Daniel Silva, 125, in 8. Pedro Rodriguez, 118, decisioned Baby Gaytan, 118, in 6. David Becerril, 126, decisioned Erasmo Garcia, 126, in 6. Pelon Diaz, 126, stopped Julio Inesas, 126, in 1.

▶ Adalberto Ochoa, 147, Argentina, stopped Bombin Padilla, 147, national welterweight champion, in 8. Renato Torres, 145, stopped Danny Quezada, 145, in 4. Miguel Rojas, 126, drew with Manuel Esparza, 126, in 6. Fidel Cruz, 118, decisioned Gelasio Perez, 118, in 6. Juan Hernandez, 112, decisioned Pipo Castillo, 112, in 4.

▶ Chucho Hernandez, 118, decisioned Monito Luna, 118, in 10. Babe Marciano, 147, stopped Chucho Moreno, 146, in 4. Nacho Barrientos, 126, stopped Juventino Rojas, 126, in 4. Sal Hernandez, 118, stopped Ruben Montes, 118, in 1. Salvador Camargo, 118, stopped Carlos Verdiguel, 118, in 1.

▶ Al Urbina, 133, stopped Baby Vazquez, 134, in eight and became the national lightweight champion. As stated above the title had been "frozen" by the local Boxing Commission. Guillermo Tellez, 117, stopped Lenador Gonzalez, 119, in 7. Gonzalo Galan, 111, decisioned David Monroy, 112, in 6. Rodolfo Lopez, 128, decisioned Paulino Guerrero, 127, in 6. Abel Paredes, 118, stopped Raymundo Chavez, 116, in 3.

▶ Renato Torres, 147, stopped Jose Paredes, 147, in 8. Jose Aparicio, 118, decisioned Memo Vega, 118, in 8. Cuco Rodriguez, 126, decisioned Arturo Chavez, 126, in 6. Raul Garcia, 126, stopped Juan Perez, 125, in 4. Tolnco Jimenez, 118, decisioned Ruben Ruiz, 117, in 4.

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MOORE NOW SEEKS INGO OR ROBINSON

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him again. This time he landed partly through the lower ropes and got to his feet as Referee Jack Sharkey counted nine.

The referee stepped to one side as Archie quickly went after his prey. He sensed the kill and wasn't going to make the mistake Durelle did when he had Moore on the verge of a knockout in their first encounter. Archie leaped in and dropped a left to the jaw that put the fisherman down again for a count of four. He went backward, struck the ropes, and part of his body went through them.

Moore was now out to end the struggle, but his opponent, who has strength, courage and an annihilating right, was not ready to give in. He set sail for Archie but had nothing left and Moore wasted no time in crashing a right to the head that sent Durelle staggering to the ropes near Moore's corner. He went down in a sitting position, and as Sharkey kept tolling off, Yvon twisted his body, rested on the left side and in that position was counted out. He tried desperately to get to his feet, but his limp body was unequal to the task.

The return contest had sufficient fireworks to keep the fans on edge and to prove that Moore is the most remarkable pugilist of recent years. His latest knockout sets his tally to 128, for an all time record. The 43 year old champion scored his 176th triumph in 207 bouts in 23 years of fighting.

As a 3 to 1 favorite, Moore was far underrated for which he scaled 174½ and Durelle, 173, each taking off more than thirty pounds to make the light heavyweight limit.

In their first encounter, Moore was guaranteed $75,000. Durelle received $28,000 of which he had to turn back $8,000 to make up Archie's guarantee. In the return, Archie picked up $175,000 and Durelle only $15,000, and $5,000 for training expenses as a bonus for agreeing to a return bout.

The net gate was $122,627. Added to this was $100,000 from television receipts and $8,000 for a radio broadcast to the Provinces.

Durelle's future is in doubt. He said he never again will fight as a light-heavyweight and reduce from 208 pounds. Moore weighed 212 when he entered camp.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

By Tom Ephrem

PAUL DIAZ, SMART BOXING AND BODY-PUNCHING MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPION of Cuba was awarded a split 10 round decision over Leon Stewart, of Miami, a lad who was given the chance to make the grade in his first main event. Although Stewart failed to take the call, he made things interesting for the opposition and the fans alike and he may have Promoter Chris Dundee's blessings for a return bout in the near future. The margin which may have decided the decision occurred in the ninth round. Here is where Diaz uncorked a stiff right hand shot to the head to drop the Miamian for a count. Referee Cy Gottfried voted for Diaz, who tipped 157¾, 99-90; Judge Barry Pearlman closer at 97-94 for Paul, while Judge George Bachman, saw Stewart top man, 96-95. The loser came in at 159¾. The winner made this his 20th win in 22 times up and his U. S. debut.

In the semi-sixer, a split call favored Jimmy Mackey, 138, over Tom Dennis, same weight. Johnny Street, 165½, took a four from Larry Blades, 162. Tony Alongi, 181½, stopped Alan Watson, 189, in two. Eddie Agin, 160½, beat Ralph Cooper, 512, in four heats, while Tommy Gerrarde, 176, kayoed Dave Johnson, 169, in the fourth chapter. The attendance, 1,377, paying $2,477.25 (new Prices) were well pleased with the card at Miami Beach.

▶ It is splendid to know that one of the top trainers in the game, Allie Ridgway, is back in harness and according to Hank Kaplan, the former trainer of ex-light-heavy boss Gus Lesnevich will tutor 175 pounder Dick Malitch. Ridgway should be of tremendous help for Hank's fighter.

▶ Aggressive Jerry Luedee brought his hitting power into play after a narrow escape in the third round with Freddie Blades, 172¼, and carved out an eighth round technical kayo over the Miamian at Miami Beach.

In the semi-ten, Hymie Budow, Miami lightie who had been on a win streak, failed to add lustre to his column. Rocky Randell, young pro from Tampa, dropped Hymie three times in the 10th to gain a technical knockout, using right handers as artillery. Silky Shelton, 153, earned a four from Henry Irvin, 146½. Otho Brown, 170½, took a four from Tommy Gerrardo, who tipped 173. A draw resulted in another four between Larry Blades, 157, brother of Freddie, and Robert Baker, 156½.

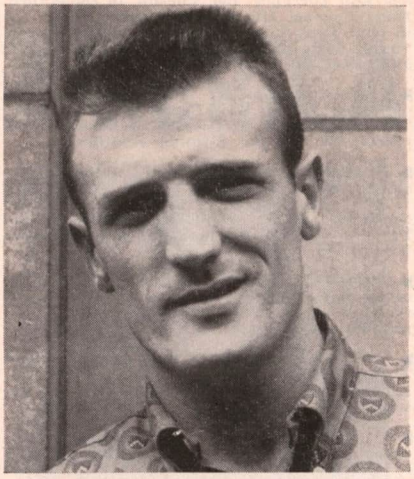
▶ Holly Mims outsmarted Georgie Benton in their 10 round televised feature at Miami Beach, and copped the middleweight affair by unanimous vote. Benton's chances for victory seemed best in the final round but he couldn't find the pay-off punch for a knockout which seemed the only way he could take Holly as the bout drew to a close. Mims, 155¾, made Benton, 159½.

Referee Billy Regan, 98-94; Judge Stu Winston, 97-94; Judge Gus Jacobson, 98-95, all for Holly, whose home is Washington, D. C., and Benton, Philadelphia. Other bouts on the Chris Dundee card found Johnny Pew, 179, decisioning Willie Mack, 169½, in six. Sailor Billy Martin, 146, beating Bobby Shaw, 150½, in four. Eddie Agin, 156½, defeating Robert Baker, same, in four. Perfecto Garcia, 131¾, stopping Bobby Williams, 131½, in two. Clinton (Kid Pie) Jordan, 127, whipping Hector Rodriguez, 123.

▶ Having previously taken an eight round decision over Carl Chastian, ambitious Willie Woods, of Augusta, Georgia, did much better in the second clash, scoring a knockout in the fourth round over the Brevard, North Carolinan in the main event of a card held in Augusta, July 16th. It was Woods all the way. They are lighties.

Jeeps Farrow needed but 40 seconds of the first round to dispose of Billy Rast. Willie D'Antignac stopped Luther Taylor in four, while Danny Brown beat Mike Peters.

▶ Gomeo Brennan TKO'ed Salvador Hernandez in the feature bout at Miami Beach, with a hard right to the jaw. Referee Billy Regan halted the match in the seventh. Hymie Budow, Miami, looked good in taking the 10-semi from Billy Orias and decking the latter in the second for a four count to boot. Tony Alongi, 181, TKOed Roosevelt Luggin, 181, in the second. Pablo Carpides, 124, took a four from Billy Williams, 125, and Chuck (Lobo) Wolf, 158, bested Crit Ketter, 157, in four.



AL ROBBINS

Former six-foot welterweight Al Robbins, who started boxing at 14 and had 100 amateur bouts, turned pro in 1950 under the management of Jack Barrett, retired from boxing in 1954—at the age of 25, after only 39 fights. He met such scrappers as Danny Giovanelli, Carmine Fiore, Joey Klein and other good ringmen. Born in Durham, N. C., and son of a machinist, Al is one of 15 children.

During his three-year stint in the Air Force, the handsome and courteous young man attended East Carolina College where he took a course in Business Administration. "*Ah gave it up last yeah,*" Robbins informs in a charming Southern accent, "*and took a job as chef at the FLAME STEAK restaurant on 42nd St. near 8th Ave. I met my boss, Dave Lauer, at Madison Square Garden where he saw me fight several times. It is my intention to study interior designing before 1960 rolls around.*"

JOHANSSON-PATTERSON RETURN FIGHT OFF

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fight rapidly is wearing off. The external influences surrounding the effort at a second fight are helping to make it wear off.

Ancient Moore, on the other hand, is hot, very hot, in spite of the fact that he was knocked out by Patterson and Rocky Marciano.

Archibald's three round knockout of Durelle has made him an intriguing figure. His age and his failures as a heavyweight contender argue against his getting the shot against Johansson. But, with Patterson shoved into the background, why not the light heavyweight champion, who appears to be unable to make 175 pounds with comfort and perhaps safety, too.

If Moore does not hook up with Ray Robinson, a Johansson-Archie scrap will get a lot of consideration from the NBE and the Garden.

If Johansson signs with Moore, Patterson will find himself very much in the background, and D'Amato may reconsider his role as a shining crusader.

Then there is Marciano. Johansson says he would be interested in meeting the Rock if he were to come back.

A Johansson-Marciano fight doubtless would be a big draw. But could Rocky get into shape again? Could he recover his old formidability even to a 60 percent degree? Would it be a run for the public's money?

And how safe would it be for Rocky to melt himself down and fight a guy with a rocking right.

INGO'S FIRST SHOT FEAT NOT SOLO

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he took it. Strauss was rushed to Europe to get Farr. He returned with Tonypandy Tommy, and also with Marcel Thil of France, who was more or less the world middleweight champion at the time.

Farr came to fight. He fought with Broadribb, and eventually parted company with the manager. He fought with the American press. Like Johansson, Farr impressed nobody in training. He fought Louis, too. Fought him 15 rounds, and was never off his feet.

The Louis fight was Farr's first in America, and his best. It was also Louis' first defense of the title, and it put off Schmeling for another year.

Farr's campaign for a return bout was checked by successive defeats by Braddock, Max Baer, Lou Nova and Red Burman. He never won a fight in the United States, yet his invasion caused so much excitement that veteran observers recalled Charley Mitchell's visit to brawl with John L. Sullivan.

The police stopped that battle in the third round, declaring Sullivan the winner, but Mitchell had John L. on the canvas in the first. This was not, however, Mitchell's American debut. Previous to meeting Sullivan he defeated Mike Cleary in three rounds in New York.

When Farr returned to this country this year, it was, oddly enough, as a journalist. He was in Indianapolis to report Brian London's attempt to relieve Patterson of the heavy title.

London went through a cloak-and-dagger stage, even as did Farr, before he got into the ring. Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager, not only changed sites —moving the fight from Las Vegas to Indianapolis—but he also changed promoters. While Cus was playing chess with the heavyweight crown, London was hidden away in a hotel in down town New York.

Against Patterson, London proved a courageous challenger who had nothing to beat the champion with.

Don Cockell, also a British champion, was tested before he got a chance at the world title. He came over and knocked out Harry Matthews in eight rounds at Seattle. A year later he returned to fight Rocky Marciano in San Francisco.

The Rock knocked out the Englishman in the ninth round.

Going back, away back to 1899, Pedlar Palmer, British bantamweight, crossed the Atlantic to fight Terry McGovern. The world bantamweight throne was vacant at the time, and the purpose was to crown a new champion. The fight took place at Tuckahoe, N. Y., and Palmer didn't linger long. His American debut lasted less than three minutes with McGovern winning in the first round.

Another Englishman to fight for a title in his first start in the United States was Elky Clark. He was turned back by Fidel LaBarba, world flyweight champion, in Madison Square Garden on January 2, 1927.

Thil, the French middleweight, who came over with Farr, had been recognized as world champion in Europe. He had retired, but came back to oppose Fred Apostoli in the Carnival of Champions, at the Polo Grounds in 1937. Apostoli, claiming the title, knocked out the bald-headed Thil in 10 rounds. The fight had to be stopped because of Thil's many cuts. The New York Commission refused to recognize the fight as a championship match, insisting that it be an open weight match though both scaled within the championship limit. Thil fought only that one time in America.

Unlike his fellow Frenchmen—Carpentier and Criqui—Alphonse Halimi was already world bantamweight champion when he made his American debut by defeating Raton Macias in Los Angeles. He has since lost the crown to Jose Becerra of Mexico.

In the heavyweight division however, Johansson is the first foreigner to win a world title in his first fight in the United States.

A-FUSSIN' & A-FEUDIN'

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There probably have never been two more "friendly enemies" than those New Jersey heavyweights of the pre-World War I era, youthful Charley Weinert and veteran Jim Savage. During his early years in the ring, Weinert lived in West Orange, only a few blocks away from Savage in Orange, and they often worked together in the gym, the veteran giving the youngster the benefit of his long ring experience. The "feud" that developed, after Weinert had moved to Newark, was not between the fighters themselves but their rabid followings, and inevitably it resulted in two bouts in New York, first in Madison Square Garden in 1915, then at the Pioneer Club in 1916. Weinert won both.

There have been some authentic "grudge fights," however, and perhaps the most notable was the third episode in the historic four-bout series between Stanley Ketchel and Billy Papke for the world middleweight title.

On September 7, 1908, Papke stunned the boxing world by knocking Ketchel out in the twelfth round in Los Angeles. Ketchel attributed his startling defeat to a "sneak" attack by Papke at the start of the fight. It was a habit in those days for fighters to shake hands when they went out for the opening round. As Ketchel advanced to the center of the ring, his right arm extended, Papke whipped across a vicious left hook and a powerful right. Both crashed against Ketchel's unprotected chin. Stanley reeled back and nearly fell out of the ring. Before the round ended, Papke's furious onslaught sent Ketchel tumbling to the canvas three times. Stanley didn't recover from that battering. Fighting on instinct and courage, he absorbed a brutal lacing before collapsing eleven rounds later.

Bitterly denouncing Papke's "dirty" tactics, Ketchel demanded another meeting. Incensed at Stanley's claims, and confident that what he had done before he could do again, Papke lost no time accommodating him. Two and a half months after the Los Angeles incident, the rivals hooked up in San Francisco on November 26, and if ever there was a real "grudge fight," this was it. In as savage as a brawl as the ring has yet produced, Ketchel squared accounts with Papke by slugging him into defeat in eleven rounds.

LOUIS AND SCHMELING

Only once in his long, eventful career did Joe Louis tote a personal grievance against a rival. He was Max Schmeling, who scored that startling knockout over the Bomber in their first New York meeting in 1936.

Returning to Germany, Schmeling was quoted by an American writer in a magazine article as saying that Louis, realizing he was losing, had tried to foul out.

It was tough enough for Louis to suffer his first professional defeat in such decisive fashion, but to be accused of foul tactics was too much for him to take. There never has been a cleaner fighter or better sportsman than Louis.

Shufflin' Joe was hurt by Schmeling's alleged remarks, and from that moment on his one consuming passion was to get Max back into the ring with him.

We still retain vivid recollections of Louis' dressing room that summer night of 1937 after Joe had taken the heavyweight title from Jim Braddock in Chicago. Amid all the excitement, with the room crowded with reporters, photographers and Louis' contingent of managers, trainers and cronies, Joe sat disconsolately on a rubbing table. "Smile, Joe," said one of the photographers. "Remember, you're The Champ now."

"No, I ain't no champ," Louis mumbled, "not 'til I git that S'mellin'."

Joe did "git that S'mellin'" a year later, and in the same New York ring in which disaster had overtaken him two years before. What happened, of course, is now history. A deadly sharpshooting Louis needed only two-thirds of one round to demolish the German.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

BY CHARLIE PARISH

SPAIN and Italy provided most of the month's fistic fiestas and quite a few upsets occurred at these programs, as is frequently the case during the summer season. The formbook took a dive when Zanaboni and Rinaldi were obliged to cede pride of place to Bruno Scarabellin and Mazzola, in both cases due to bad cuts. Several title-bouts took place in Spain and the return of Manolo Garcia and Fred Galiana will doubtless give Spanish boxing a shot in the arm. In Germany, Gus Scholz retained his middles title without setting Berlin on fire and has selected Peter Mueller as his next foe. Drille cancelled out Scortichini in another upset affair in Italy and thus rates with Papp for a shot at Scholz. As Papp has already thrashed the dour Basque it would be common sense to give the Magyar Menace a fling at the European diadem. In the event of Papp winning, which is quite on the cards, this might open the Iron Curtain enough to allow more East Europeans to take a spin on the West's fistic whirligig. The advent of a few Iron Curtain stars to Paris, Berlin or Rome would certainly pep up competition and would doubtless attract more public interest. We hear that Jean Sneyers will be coming back as a lightweight, which is a great pity. In his last fight with Caprari the former Angel of the Ring was a shadow of his former self.

▶ Berlin, Germany. The long-awaited clash between Gustav Scholz and his rival from Hamburg, Hans-Werner "Buttje" Wohlers, drew a crowd of 17,000 to the Deutschland Halle but frankly fell short of expectations. Both fighters were over-cautious and instead of a fist fight the fans were treated to a battle of wits Until the tenth round both fighters concentrated on strategy, with Wohlers taking the fourth and fifth heats and the remainder even. Scholz moved ahead in the ninth and succeeded in dropping the blond Buttje for an instant. Wohlers sprang to his feet again and made even going of it during the tenth but the remaining rounds were mostly dominated by Scholz, who dropped the Hamburg battler on five more occasions without "making it stick". Wohlers jumped right up each time and slipped and countered his way out of trouble but at the end of 15 rounds it was Scholz by quite a margin. Gustav's European title was at stake and this was the first time that this crown has been disputed by two Germans.

Ulli Nitzschke is touted by many Germans as a future heavies champ. Weighing in at 199 against Jose Gonzalez, the former student hero of East Berlin cut rather an amateurish figure. The Spaniard was knocked out by Randolph Turpin some years ago but appears to go from strength to strength, even beating Cavicchi twice. He tried to nail the over-gallant Nitzschke in the seventh but took a severe blasting for his pains. The Teuton slammed Gonzalez twice to the canvas before the end of the round and once more in the last heat but couldn't prevent him staying the course, a loser on points. Karl Mildenberger, 175, fought brilliantly to outscore Arthur Howard of London over eight rounds. Dieter Wemhoener, 175, was pitted against another stubborn Spaniard, Jose Echevarria, and won over the tough Basque by a rather narrow margin in eight while Rudi Langer scored easily over Luis Magro in lightweight eight.

▶ Pesaro, Italy. Marcel Pigou, the middleweight prospect from Normandy who disappeared from boxing circles for a year, popped up again in Italy to test out promising Geppino Gentiletti, who has run up a series of quick wins. Pigou knew too much for Geppino and halted the Italian in round nine while Bruno Burlovich whipped Rinaldi in a lightie eight.

▶ At La Spezia, local matador Bruno Visintin was well on the way to a kayo win over Michel Francois when the heavens opened and the fight was halted in the seventh.

▶ St. Vincent, Italy. Apart from Vecchiatto, all of Italy's champions attended this program, put on in honor of the annual boxing-Journalists meeting. Main spot was a clash between Bruno Scarabellin, the Hercules of the Lakes, and Massimo Zanaboni, the Lion of the Maremma, for the vacant heavies title. Against all odds, Hercules whipped the Lion. Zanaboni was undefeated as an amateur and figured to outclass the hefty gondolier but burly Bruno smashed open Zanaboni's right eyebrow in the opening round and the cut bled so profusely that the bout was halted in the seventh. Giacomo Spano nodded Angelo Rampin in a flyweight eight and Paolo Cottino trimmed veteran Dante Madella in a middles eight.

▶ Bologna, Italy. Franco Cavicchi still fancies his chance against Johansson in a return slam—so do Machen, Patterson, Erskine, Cooper, et al. Nobody threw so many "Lucky punches" as Ingemar. To confirm his claims, Cavicchi went to work on tough Sifa Kivalu like a man tearing down a wall and dropped the Tongan five times before the bout was halted in the tenth round. Annibale Omodei sustained yet another defeat, at the hands of rising Franco Nenci, in a good lightweight ten. Annibale has been on the receiving end since he lost the national title to Vecchiatto. Ernesto Miranda of Argentina made his Italian debut a success by halting Stefano Urbani, a very modest foe, in the fourth frame of their bantam tandem.

▶ Brescia, Italy. Known as the Hammer of Brescia, Sante Amonti lived up to his name in style before a sell-out house when he tangled with Charles Colin, the dour French champion. The 30-year old Breton was outpaced and outpunched by the Italian thunderbolt, who battered Colin in such good effect that his corner slung in the towel while he was taking a second count during the seventh round. Giacomo (or Jacques) Nervi whipped Gheres Frezghi of Ethiopia in a hard welter ten and Pedrini drew with Ghinaglia in a lightie eight.

▶ Mestre, Italy. Plinio Scarabellin, kid brother of Bruno, expected to sweep the floor with his Spanish foe, dismissed by one paper as "another Amaya".

This Amaya, it will be recalled, was the gentle gent recently rocked to sleep by Amonti in a few seconds. Not all Spaniards are Amayas and Jose Echevarria is not called the "Basque Bull" for nothing. He soaked up Scarabellin's best punches without flinching and came back with some of his own. The muscular Plinio was lucky to get the nod after ten robust rounds. Germano Cavalieri won over Fioravente Merlo in a lightie eight and Ivano Tombolini outboxed Danilo Giusti in a feathers eight.

▶ Civitavecchia, Italy. Franco Scisciani, challenger for the national middles title, took on Domingo Mena of Spain and looked like finishing him off by the sixth round when Mena took a count of "9" from a hook to the liver. But Mena got up and stayed the course of ten rounds, an honourable loser.

▶ Casablanca, Morocco. At long last Spain's prodigal son, Manolo Garcia, returned to the land of his fathers after a long tourney in the Argentine. Garcia is a full-blooded Spaniard but was born in Morocco and here he met his first European foe since October, 1957. Altidoro Polidori provided the opposition but the Italian has lost some edge since he outscored Garcia two and a half years ago. Garcia cut loose in the eighth and forced his opponent to retire. In a lightweight slam, Aissa Hashas tackled a heavier man, Andre Mauguin, and stopped him in three rounds.

▶ In Paris, Andre Valignat decisioned faded Jacques Poinson in a feathers eight at the Central.

▶ Barcelona, Spain. Antonio Diaz took things easy in outscoring young Jose Torres in a bantam eight at the Gran Price.

▶ At the Campo del Gas in Madrid, Chato Ramos moved towards the front of the confused Spanish lightweight ranks by soundly whipping Frank Garcia over eight rounds. Perez Artero, loser of so many bouts, upset Tony Gutierrez by knocking out the local lightie in round six. Gutierrez ran up a scintillating string of kayoes last year. Ben Hattab, Tunisian feather guest, trounced Paulino Cobos in a fast eight.

▶ Marseilles, France. Gracieux Lamperti tried all he knew to belt out Joe Rafiu King in their return slam here but the phantom-like Nigerian was too stylish for the Corsican clouter. In their first meeting, Joe chilled Lamperti in four rounds and on this occasion he was able to jab and parry his way to a split decision over ten. Pierre Vetroff halted Abdelkader Azzouz in round six of a bantam slam which more or less finishes Azzouz as a rated battler.

▶ Munich, Germany. A new promotor, Nikolaus Kopf, tried his arm at the Cirkus Krone here and attracted 1700 fans to his first program. Top of the bill was old-timer Hans Haefner, 143, a former champion and still a tearaway scrapper. Haefner's rival was Stefan Palfy, a refugee from Yugoslavia and now fighting out of Vienna. Palfy foxed the Bavarian with his southpaw stance for a while but things warmed up in the second and third frames. In the fourth, Haefner dropped the fighter from Tito-land with a crisp right but Palfy sprang to his feet and a hectic melee ensued. The referee intervened to send Palfy back to his corner

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(FOR MONTH ENDING AUGUST 20, 1959)

HEAVIES	LIGHTHEAVIES	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Inge. Johansson (SW)	Erich Schoeppner (G)	Gustav Scholz (G)	Duilio Loi (I)
2. Mino Bozzano (I)	Sante Amonti (I)	Peter Mueller (G)	Bruno Visintin (I)
3. Hans Kalbfell (G)	Rocco Mazzola (I)	Laszlo Papp (HY)	Fred Galiana (S)
4. Uli Ritter (G)	Giulio Rinaldi (I)	Andre Drille (F)	Stefan Redl (G)
5. Massimo Zanaboni (I)	Pekka Kokkonen (FN)	Italo Scortichini (I)	Emilio Marconi (I)
6. Ilkka Koski (FN)	Germinal Ballarin (F)	Franz Szuzina (G)	Fortunato Manca (I)
7. Franco Cavicchi (I)	Dom Baccheschi (I)	Hans Wohlers (G)	Maurice Auzel (F)
8. Albert Westphal (G)	Charles Colin (F)	Rolf Peters (G)	Chris Christensen (D)
9. Toerner Ahsman (SW)	Yao Kouame (F)	Leen Jansen (H)	Michel Lombardet (F)
10. Bruno Scarabellin (I)	Dieter Wemhoener (G)	Michel Diouf (F)	Jacques Nervi (I)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERS	BANTAMS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Lahouri Godih (F)	Gracieux Lamperti (F)	Alphonse Halimi (F)	Young Martin (S)
2. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	Cherif Hamia (F)	Piero Rollo (I)	Mimun Ben Ali (S)
3. Aissa Hashas (F)	Sergio Caprari (I)	Mario D'Agata (I)	Risto Luukkonen (FN)
4. Guizani Rezgui (F)	Manolo Garcia (S)	Juan Cardenas (S)	Jean Guerard (F)
5. Fernand Nollet (F)	Giordano Campari (I)	Pierre Cossemyns (B)	Edgar Basel (G)
6. Guy Gracia (F)	Aldo Pravisani (I)	Federico Scarponi (I)	Salvatore Burruni (I)
7. Victor Pepeder (F)	Antoine Martin (F)	Pentti Hamalainen (FN)	Andre Gasperini (F)
8. Manuel Sosa (F)	Jose Martinez (S)	Mohamed Zarzi (F)	Rene Libeer (F)
9. Epiphane Akono (F)	Andre Vairolatto (F)	Kamara Diop (F)	Pierre Rossi (F)
10. Bobby Ros (S)	Rene Barriere (F)	Sugar Ray (H)	Luis Gomez (S)

LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland; G Germany; H Holland; HY Hungary; I Italy; S Spain; SW Sweden.

and announced Haefner as winner to the cheering crowd. The Yugoslav was in no way damaged and hotly demanded a return. Joe Buck returned to action with a narrow points win over Alois Maxa of Vienna in a Feathers six, Gerhard Moll, 161, gained the nod over Gerhard Stachowitz in six and Helmut Hoehmann, 158, trimmed courageous Pepi Fischer of Vienna in six. Guenter Huber, 173, for once found himself in the winner's corner when he stopped Legeny Kalman of Hungary in round three.

▶ Lyons, France. Andre Vairolatto, pride of the Silk City, had his work cut out to battle his way to a split decision against torrid Rene Barriere, who was the first fighter to stop Andre when they clashed a year ago.

▶ Milan, Italy. Giordano Campari clung on to his national feathers title here when he succeeded in outscoring Aldo Pravisani, the Bad News from Trieste, in a whirling twelve-rounder. This was Campari's third victory over Aldo. Fioravante Merlo regained his winning ways by decisioning Bruno Burlovich in a lightie eight and Giuseppe Fanfoni upset Letterio Petilli by lacing the veteran in a feathers eight.

▶ Malaga, Spain. A large crowd attended the bull-ring where Francisco Ortega did battle with his old rival, Francisco Frances, in a semi-final for the middles title. Ortega took one count, for eight, but Frances was obliged to visit the canvas twice for similar periods and the nod went to Ortega after ten hard rounds. Diego Infantes won a poor fight against Carmelo Beraza in a welter ten and Juan "Gitano" Amaya upset Garcia Hidalgo by trimming the Madrileno in a cruiser eight.

▶ At Melilla, Raton Osuna drew with Josan in a flyweight eight.

▶ Barcelona, Spain. Jose Guillen and Jose Merayo, local featherweight rivals, engaged in a sharp scramble at the Gran Price. Both fighters committed numerous irregularities and when Guillen was given the nod a storm of protest went up from the crowd.

▶ Madrid, Spain. All the bouts on the Folledo-Beraza program at the Campo del Gas were excellent. In the main spot, Luis Folledo showed great improvement in style by the manner in which he outscored rugged Carmelo Beraza, the Little Paolino of the Basque country. Robust and untutored, Beraza kept boring in at the elegant Madrileno but Folledo kept the aggressor at bay with sharp counters and sudden flashes of combination punching. Chato Ramos was the hero of the chief supporting bout, knocking Antonio Martin down in the first and seventh rounds and winning their lightie dispute by a mile. Lively Luis Gomez made most of the action against Paco Torres and at the end of eight rounds, Torres grabbed a microphone and announced Gomez as the winner of their flyweight slam.

▶ Malaga, Spain. It had to happen sooner or later. In Spain there are over 250 paid fighters and of these scarcely a dozen are of international status. It is virtually impossible to attempt any national ratings for Spanish boxers as your number one fighter is bound to lose to an unknown. There just is no criterion and therefore it came as no surprise to learn that Domingo Lopez lost his middles crown to Francisco Frances over twelve rounds. Frances has met Domingo five times before and lost them all. It's a mystery how he got the challenger's job since he lost to Ortega in an eliminator.

▶ Madrid, Spain. At the Campo del Gas, tall Domingo Mena threw a spanner in the works by stopping a likely prospect, Garcia Hidalgo, in the seventh heat of their middles clash. Hidalgo was right off form and Mena used him as a punch-bag until the former's manager slung in the towel. Jose Ungidos was smacked through the ropes in the fourth round of his welter slam with Ramon Garriga but came back punching with both hands to win over eight rounds. Ramon Almenara nodded Perez Artero in a lightie eight and Francisco Segura lost out to Basilio Juanas in a bantam six.

▶ Ancona, Italy. Right in his own bailiwick, Italo Scortichini fell with a loud thump from his leading post among European middles when he lost decisively to Andre Drille. The Frenchman floored Scortichini in round four and had his man on the brink of a kayo but Italo survived to lose on points although Drille belted him thrice more to the canvas before the final gong sounded. Federico Scarponi stopped Alberto Scipioni in the third heat of a bantam slam.

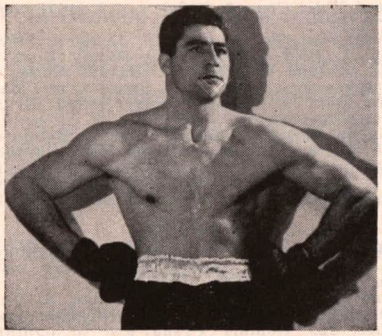
▶ Rome. Powerful Giullio Rinaldi lost his big chance when he tangled with Rocco Mazzola at the Foro Italico. Mazzola succeeded in splitting Rinaldi's right eyebrow in the opening round and the doctor forbade the latter to continue. Fernando Spallotta, globe-trotting Italian middle, lost out to speedy Gene Johns of America over ten rounds and Fernando Proietti gained a difficult decision from Stefano Belotti in a welter eight.

▶ At Tarento, Angelo Brisci, local middleweight veteran who was also the promotor, won from Jean Ruellet in ten.

▶ Valencia, Spain. Jack Subero, the ubiquitous Trinidad welter, popped up here in the guise of "Champion of Central America". He came in at 149 against the 143 of Manuel Salcedo and defeated the Valencian in a poor ten-rounder. Much better was the scrap between Francisco Ortega and Herbert Sowa of Germany, a middles eight won by Ortega after a hot dispute, while Sarrion outscored Albert Mueller of Cologne in a welter eight.

▶ Rimini, Italy. Dom Baccheschi has found new lease of life in the past year and took less than two rounds to flatten Luis Vicente Serra of Spain in their cruiser clash. Ottavio Panunzi halted Loreto Vari in the third round of another cruiser affair.

▶ At Cervia, Gerhard Moll gave his usual display of dour disrespect for all foreign stars and lost narrowly to Sisto Tiselli, the hairy Italian from Argentina way, in a rugged middles ten. Tiselli had cut eyes from the second round onwards.



Franco Cavicchi, looking for a return bout with world heavyweight champion Ingemar Johansson, to whom he lost his European title in 1956, took on tough Tongan Sifa Kivalu at Bologna, Italy, dropping his opponent five times before the bout was halted in the tenth round.

▶ Las Ventas, Spain. The Bullring here was the scene of two title-bouts, one of them for the flyweight title which has been vacant since Ogazon and Segura were disqualified for life. The new champion is Luis Gomez, a youngster of 23 who was disputing his thirtieth battle in the paid ranks when he trimmed Raton Osuna over twelve rounds. Ben Buker II, now thirty, still possesses sufficient science and general know-how to deal with sundry challengers. His latest challenger was Diego Infantes, whose name had been submitted as a contender for European honors. Infantes has in fact a great deal to learn and this was borne out in his debate with Buker, who outclassed him in style and tactics. Infantes had the champ almost out on his feet during the fifth but didn't follow up with his advantages of youth and strength. In the last couple of rounds, Buker dazzled his challenger with a veritable boxing lesson and won the press verdict. The referee decreed a draw. Manolo Garcia utterly outclassed Marcel Signet of France and stopped him in three rounds while Luis Folledo won comfortably over Ahmed ben Hamida in a welter eight.

▶ Malaga, Spain. At the Bull Ring, Manolo Correa fought a draw with mediocre Juan Amaya in a cruiser eight and Jose Ungidos trounced Jose Murgui in a hard welter eight. Agustin Crespo stopped Toni Galacho in the sixth frame of another welter clash.

▶ Madrid, Spain. At the Campo del Gas, Kid Daniel returned to his own public after a sojourn in the Canary Isles, where he enjoyed changing fortunes against locals like Lelo Suarez and Garcia Leon. Daniel is reckoned by experts to be the best welter in Spain from the technical viewpoint. A glass chin prevents him scaling to greater heights but his opponent at the Campo del Gas, Ruiz Amatria, was hardly the fighter to upset the Kid since his own jaw is even more suspect. He took quite a shellacking for four rounds and held up an arm in sign of surrender as the bell sounded for round five. Rafael Gayo and Jose Merayo engaged in a desperate toe-to-toe affair in a feathers eight which was deservedly won by Gayo.

BOXING IN BRAZIL
By Walter Quiroga

IBIRAPUERA STADIUM:—HUGO MEDINA OF ARGENTINA won a ten rounds decision over Felipe Cambeiro of Spain.

Jaconias Amorin outpointed Julio Dartuqui of Argentina in a ten round bout. Feliciano de Oliveira and Geraldo Marquez drew in six rounds. Osmar Pereyra, making his pro debut, stopped Hermano Cruz in the fifth round of a welterweight bout.

▶ Rio de Janeiro:—Eder Jofre kayoed Angel Bustos with one punch in the first round.

Celestino Pinto, welterweight, decisioned Paulista Mario dos Santos in ten rounds.

▶ Ibirapuera Stadium, Sao Paulo:—Hugo Medina, Argentina middleweight, won a ten rounds decision over Luis Ignacio, Brazilian light heavyweight champion and former South American titlist. Through a boxing commission error, Medina fought with 6 ounce gloves while Ignacio wore 8 ounce gloves.

Brazilian featherweight champion Sebastiao Nascimento drew in ten rounds with Angel Bustos of Argentina. Angelo Gutierrez won a six round decision over Antonio Pereyra da Silva in a featherweight tussle. Joao Pereyra da Costa and Geraldo Marquez drew in six rounds.

TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

DALLAS, RALPH SMITH, PROMOTER:— Elmo Conard (160) decisioned Daulton Caro (149) four rounds. Lamoine Vance (157) decisioned Lou Jenkins (161) four rounds. Curtis Cokes (147) kayoed Garland Randall (140) one round. Al McCoy (155) kayoed Aman Peck (150) one round. Jimmy Martinez (157) decisioned Jimmy Beecham (156½) ten rounds.

BRITISH GUIANA BOXING
By George Beckles

MELVILLE BENNETT LOST A DECISION to Ivelaw Stephenson, welterweight champion of British Guiana, over 10 rounds.

▶ Mel Bennett, 163, of Trinidad fought and battered out a points decision over B. G. Maurice Cummings, 166, in a ten rounder. Cyclone Kid, British Guiana welterweight, won by a foul over Cedric Williams. Williams consistently fouled until the referee stopped the fight in the fourth round.

Roy McBean, 147, drew with Desmond Branch, 142. Eric Havercombe lost a decision to Douglass Armstrong.

IN AND AROUND CHICAGO
By Lenny Myers

CHICAGO STADIUM—SONNY LISTON, ST. LOUIS HEAVYWEIGHT CONTENDER, SCORED a fast three round knockout over Nino Valdes of Cuba. Liston, who packs a kayo punch in both mitts, dropped a short right hand smash on Valdes' chin in the third frame rendering him helpless for the full count.

Rudy Ellis, of the south side, finished off Bobby Boyd of Chicago, in an easy fashion. Boyd was down four times before the end which came in the fifth round.

Frankie Daniels and Lou Bailey battled six tough rounds to a draw. They are heavyweights. Joe Hemphill, Chicago heavyweight, won a ten round decision over Johnny Gray of Chicago. T. J. Jones, 147, Chicago, kayoed Bobby Kline, 147, in the second heat.

▶ Chicago Briefs: Johnny Coulon, former world's bantamweight champion, is teaching the manly art at his south side health club daily. Tony Zale is being sought to referee a proposed title bout in Manila next November. Ben Bentley of the National Boxing Enterprises also doing a big job cutting tapes for radio and television commercials.

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RATINGS

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Al Urbina won the Mexican title stopping Baby Vasquez, 8. Solomon Boysaw scored over Flash Elorde, 10.

Al Nevarez won from Ezequiel Uribe, 10, Uribe stopped Carlos Arregui, 8. Tommy Tibbs won over Richie (Kid) Howard, 10. Damaso Collazo defeated Lauro Salas, 10.

Jesus Rodriguez kayoed Antonio Ramirez, 5. Fidel Lucero won from Hector Garcia, 10. Chino Saavedra kayoed Jajaro Mejorado, 10, and beat Pedro Rodriguez, 10. Jesse Watson outpointed Jackie Hayden, 10.

Chico Rollins snapped Doug Vaillant unbeaten streak, 10. Terry Rebolado kayoed Fighting San Carlos, 5. Victorio Guzman stopped Roberto Ortega, 7. Baby Alonzo won over Kid Filipino, 10.

Carlos Rios beat Paulino Araujo, 10. Dinamita Aguirre whipped Lalo Duque, 10. Joel Gutierrez kayoed Raul Arrieta, 2. Wilfredo Hurst decisioned Alexis Garcia, 10.

Enrique Castillo beat Ruben Cadena, 10. Bobby Hicks whipped Dave Camacho, 10, Dave beat Raul Serrato, 6. Joey Padilla stopped Danny Dugan, 5, and beat Henry Salcido, 10. Tito Gomez stopped Luigi Castoldi, 5. Jimmy Carter outscored Kildo Nunez, 10.

Lucio Gonzalez stopped Kid Bachomo, 4. Jimmy Grow stopped Al Carroll, 7. Jaibo Carranza and Jesus Celes drew, 10. Gene Gresham kayoed Milton Jones, 3.

Tony Lopez kayoed Genaro Serafin, 3. Johnny Bizzarro kayoed Freddie Stover, 1. Steve Haywood stopped Clifton Bradley, 5. Rafael Camacho kayoed Leonard McKindo, 2. Johnny Bean stopped Jean Dulhoste, 6.

Chucho Zarate halted Javier Torres, 6. Asolfo Olguin kayoed Tiger Ringo, 7. Jimmy Mackey won over Tom Dennis, 6. Tony Lopez Smith kayoed Benny Suarez, 5.

Alvaro Collado whipped Tabaquito Kid, 10. Ivan Keeling stopped Rufus Holliday, 3. Baby Leroy stopped James Lane, 6.

Walter Brown won over Dick Kirby, 6. Bobby Gray kayoed Feasell Vernell, 2. Joe Salci stopped Sammy Jones, 2.

Dick DiVeronica outscored Tommy Nethercott, 8. Emilio Flores whipped Cotis Pace, 6. Willie Ransom won from Aaron Hackett, 6.

Lloyd Wilson stopped Jimmy Mitchell, 5. Jesus Hernandez kayoed Araldo Leyva, 2, but was kayoed by Diwaldo Ventosa, 5. James Stuard and Tony Noriega drew, 6.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Gracieux Lamperti relieved Sergio Caprari of the European championship, 15.

Flash Elorde lost to lightweight Solomon Boysaw, 10.

Sugar Ramos kayoed Johnny Bean, 3. Angel Guerrero kayoed Juanito Ramirez, 9.

Kid Anahuac won over Ray Zamora, 10. Ernesto Figueroa defeated Chango Antemate, 10, and drew with Manuel Alvarez, Kid Irapuato defeated Ernesto Parra, 10.

Army Wonder Boy kayoed Jackie Trillana, 9. Tony Pardon drew with bantamweight Johnny Sarduy, 10. Manuel Jimenez stopped Jaibo Carranza, 10, and beat Max Huerta, 10.

Chucho Oliva upset Rudy Coronado, 10. Raton Vargas whipped Gallito Segundo, 10. Roberto Hernandez kayoed Panchito Gonzalez, 3. Young Terror defeated Baby Gony, 10. Fili Nava won the Mexican title by outpointing Victor Manuel Quijano, 12. Felix Cervantes defeated Eddie Gasporra, 10.

Antonio Gutierrez whipped Luis Garcia, 10. Pedro Miranda won from Oscar Vargas, 10. Lalo Camarena decisioned Chebo Vazquez, 10. Amorindo Amiouzzi defeated Aldo Gamboa, 10.

Coneja Hernandez defeated Uauro Martinez, 10. Cachorro Martinez outpointed Luis Brito, 10. Leroy Jeffery kayoed Robert Keeling, 1. Lucio Flores won from Daniel Amieva, 10. Reuben Munoz stopped Junior Flores, 3.

Luis Sanchez and Paulino Araujo drew, 8. Tony Christy decisioned Dick White, 8. Moi Torres defeated Chamacho Figueroa, 10.

Dick DiVola kayoed Jerry Flynn, 2. Gildo Vargas stopped Kid Puebla, 9. German Reyes and Daniel Silva drew, 8.

Jose Felix Gondola defeated Vicente Worrell, 6. Jose Napoles stopped Cloroaldo Hernandez, 3, and beat Cristobal Gonzalez, 8. Joe Vargas whipped Willie Woods, 6. Buddy Daye kayoed Dickie Munroe, 3.

Goyo Sanchez and Alvaro Collado drew, 8. Roberto Bravo stopped David Gomez, 1. Oscar Reyes and Dio Cagulada drew, 8. Lionel Rivera kayoed Bob Herron, 1. Danny Brown kayoed Ben Ferrer, 5.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Jose Lopez lost his Mexican Bantamweight title as he was outpointed by flyweight Joe Medel, 12.

Edwin Sykes upset Manuel Armenteros stopping him on a cut eye, 7.

Felix Gutierrez won the Cuban title outpointing Orlando Reyes, 12. Baby Brown stopped Frankie Duarte, 5.

Ward Yee upset flyweight Dommy Ursua, 10. Herman Marques upset Danny Kid, 10.

Miguel Lazu kayoed Chuy Guerrero, 10. Cain Rogero kayoed Juan Perales, 8, and beat Cuervo Salinas, 10. Johnny Sarduy and feather Tony Pardon drew, 10. David Rodriguez kayoed Baby Zarate, 6, and Luis Gutierrez, 9. Chucho Hernandez whipped Monito Luna, 10, Luna had beat Eleazar Gonzalez, 8. Goyo Flores whipped Pulga Serrano, 10. Villeza Villar stopped Angel Boy, 7.

Eduardo Hernandez won from Memo Gonzalez, 10. Ray Martinez kayoed Gallito Garcia, 4. Enrique Casanova won from Jorge Nunez, 8. Sabino Mendez kayoed Chaparro DeLeon, 9, DeLeon also lost to Arturo Vazquez, 10.

Lauro Garcia bested Alberto Soto, 10. Juan Ibares kayoed Eloy Sanchez, 6.

Rudy Corna defeated Frankie Silva, 10. Carlos Hernandez and Panchito Saldivar drew, 10, Carlos then beat Guillermo Rubio, 10, while Panchito was stopped by Torito Mota, 7.

Alex Jimenez whipped Baby Salazar, 10. Oney Mingus defeated Rudy Estrada, 3. Jose Lomeli kayoed Negro Martinez, 2. Tibico Torres whipped Monito Hernandez, 10, but lost to Jorge Alatorre, 10.

Ramon Sanchez beat Roberto Mar, 10. Manuel Arazola defeated Alex Rojas, 10. Gallito Segundo kayoed Marcel Montoya, 3. Jose Aparicio decisioned Memo Vega, 8. Monito Hernadez stopped Rafael Ayala, 4.

William Roncourt defeated Ignacio Perez, 6. Raton Perez kayoed Sonny Flores, 2, and beat Baby Tinajero, 8. Baby was kayoed by Jose Luis Mora, 8. Panchito Gonzalez defeated Fidel Cruz, 6, Fidel won from Gelasio Perez, 6.

Guillermo Tellez stopped Lenador Gonzalez, 7. Bert Gonzalez and Danny Rosales drew, 8, Bert then lost to Kid Pio Tatel, 6. Al Reyes won from Baby Ross, 8, and San Juan Boy, 6. Speedy Gudar halted Ernie Lelong, 3.

Nacho Paredes defeated Juanito Mendoza, 6. Pedro Rodriguez won from Baby Gaytan, 6. Ernie Paredes stopped Danny Rodenas, 6. Viva Zapata drew with Baby Jazmin, 6. Benny Casing kayoed Chino Gochicoa, 2.

FLYWEIGHTS

World champion Pascual Perez retained his title with a unanimous decision over Kenji Yonekura, 15.

Joe Medel kayoed Javier Garfias, 8, then won the Mexican Bantam title beating Jose Lopez, 12. Dommy Ursua lost to bantam Ward Yee, 10.

Larry Pineda defeated Takeo Suzuki, 10. Ray Ruiz and Saul Becerril drew, 10.

Salvatore Burruni outpointed Horacio Acavallo, 10. Ernesto Barrera decisioned Delfino Martinez, 8. Carlos Miranda beat Giuseppe Graviano, 10.

Gonzalo Galan whipped David Monroy, 6. Esteban Figueroa won on a disqualification over Felix Padilla, 2. Julio Moreno defeated Jose Luis Valdez, 6.

Victor Aguilar stopped Indio Jose, 4. Kid Tacio Jr., defeated Baby Demilliones, 8, Baby won from Vic Siminiano, 8. Ray Pacheco kayoed Frankie Lopez, 3.

Rey Mario defeated Flash Pineda, 6. Young Benito stopped Larry Garcia, 1.

SOUTH AFRICAN NEWS
By Les. Muller

JOHANNESBURG. PROMOTERS: Rand Promotions:—Dennis Adams, South African and British Empire flyweight champion, again disappointed when he was stopped in four rounds by Les Smith. This was a bantamweight clash. Smith was dropped in the second round with a wild swing, but came back and in round four to drop Adams three times, before the referee ended the fight.

Steve Jacobs (171) beat Ernie Rocco (173½) on points over four rounds. Wally Smith (134) beat Harry Kuhn (128) k.o. 1. Pat Markotter (135) beat Dolf Hoffman (132) t.k.o. 3.

Ken Watson (140) beat Wessel Vorster (143) K.O. 2. Carl Stols (151½) beat Lawson Viljoen T.K.O. 3—middleweight fight. Sias Hattingh (174) beat Piet Gouws (172) points four rounds.

▶Ndola. Northern Rhodesia. Promoter: Duggie Miller:—Robert Cohen, former world bantamweight champion, made an unsuccessful return to the ring when he was outpointed over ten rounds against Peter Lock, leading contender for the South African title. Cohen was slightly ahead until the eighth round, but then got his eye cut and wilted under a hail of blows to the head.

Evie Vorster, former South African welterweight champion, walked into a beautiful right from Carl Stols and was counted out in the first round, 45 seconds to be exact.

Ken James beat F. van der Walt T.K.O. first round in a middleweight fight. Featherweight Dolf Hoffman kayoed Johnny Prinsloo in the second.

▶Johannesburg. Promoter: Joe Davidow:—Henry Speedie (160¾), South African middleweight champion, was very unfortunate to lose his fight against Billy Lotter (164). Speedie retired in the seventh round owing to an eye injury. He was ahead on points at the time.

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Rican, Bobby Sanchez, 140½, and Ray Batey, 188, Elmhurst, L. I., clipped the wings of John Byrd, 183½, Atlanta, Ga.

▶As a substitute for a substitute, Benny Paret, 147, Cuba, came through with a surprisingly good showing in losing a split decision to favored Gaspar Ortega, 148, Mexico, in a bristling ten in Madison Square Garden. Originally Ortega was to have met another Cuban, Florentino Fernandez, who became ill and was replaced by Charley Scott. When Scott decided he couldn't get into condition on such short notice, Paret, booked for the semi-final, was moved up to the main event. Paret displayed plenty of speed and snappy combinations against the more experienced Ortega, and his noisy Cuban cohorts thought he had won. Referee Teddy Martin agreed with them, but was outvoted by Judges Mike Parisi and Tommy Dolan, who tabbed for Ortega. It was a fast bout all the way, with Ortega's slapdash swings to the head and more effective infighting apparently counting more than Paret's neater boxing and snappier punching. On a previous card of three tens, Cuban visitors had accounted for a perfect 3-for-3 score, but this time they ended with three defeats. Kid Fichique, 146, who replaced Paret when Benny was promoted to top spot, was soundly trounced by Emile Griffith, 147½, West Side, in the semi-final. In the opening ten, Douglas Vaillant, 135½, had his string of 18 straight wins checked by Chico Rollins, 134, West Side. By way of adding insult to injury, Rollins knocked Vaillant down in the ninth. In a pair of preliminary fours, Bobby McEwan, 131, Scotland, decisioned Tony Maldonado, 131½, Brooklyn, and Tito Velez, 148, Puerto Rico, won from Julie Jamison, 146, Wappinger Falls, N. Y.

ADDENDA. . . . Robert Fitzhugh of Indianapolis propounds an interesting query: "Sometimes I read that Ingemar Johansson's home town in Sweden is Goteborg. Other times it appears as Gothenburg. Which is correct?" . . . Both. Goteborg is the Swedish spelling; Gothenburg the Anglicized version. . . . If the American press were suddenly to use native names and spellings of some European communities, we'd find ourselves in a mess of confusion. For instance, the historic center we know as Florence is Firenze to Italians. Citing a few others, Vienna is Wien to Austrians; Cologne is Koln to Germans; The Hague is La Haye to Belgians. . . . This commentator careth not what other American scribes do; he'll continue to use the old established British-American interpretation of Goteborg and call it Gothenburg.

The unemployment situation in New York's sock market is desperate. In three summer months from mid-June to mid-September, the state's entire production of fight cards has not totalled 20. Time was, and not too long ago, when we had that many every week: New York City and Syracuse have been the only communities showing any fistic life at all. Such once-lively fight centers as Buffalo, Rochester, Binghamton, Utica, Schenectady, Albany, Troy, et al., have completely vanished from the scene. To make matters worse, of the seven world championship bouts staged during these three months, only one, the Johansson-Patterson affair, was held in New York.

Rumors continue to persist that Rocky Marciano is serious in his publicized intention to return to the ring. We sincerely hope he reconsiders. At his peak, Rocky's one outstanding asset was his amazing durability. He couldn't box—he was handicapped in both height and reach—and he was clumsy and awkward. He had to depend almost entirely on outlasting the other guy. Easy to hit and a "free bleeder," Rocky's superb physical condition invariably won for him. Now 36 (at least), out of fistic action four years, and softened by easy living, Marciano would never be able to regain his once splendid physical condition, and without it he'd have difficulty whipping preliminary kids.

THE GALLAGHERS

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moxie to succeed over any tag team in the country and they set out to prove the theory. In this they have been successful beyond their fondest expectations. For them it is a dream come true and they expect to keep it that way, according to indications.

As youths, the Gallaghers wrestled as amateurs for the Milo A. C. in the rough water-front city of Bayonne, N. J. Their careers on the simon pure mat were short-lived because both Doc and Mike were suspended by the A. A. U. for unnecessary roughness. This brought them to the attention of local wrestling promoters. Doc. was the first to turn pro. At the time, he was studying to become a chiropractor. He soon gave up those studies because he said he derived more pleasure and financial rewards from creating patients than administering to them. Mike decided to make wrestling a career a year later and he gave up a college football scholarship to do so.

The Gallaghers have a unique array of colorful ring apparel. They have dozens of brilliant, sequined leotards. Before a bout, they go through a humorous routine, which generally upsets their opponents. Doc. unfastens a zipper on Mike's leotard. Mike shakes his hips ala Elvis Presley, until it finally falls to the floor. Then Doc goes through the same routine, taking plenty of abuse and catcalls from the fans. But this is music to the ears of these complacent Irishmen.

Scribes call the Gallaghers Fabulous, Fantastic, Fearless and Frightening. They call themselves Powerful, Polished, Poised and Proud. Wrestling fans call them Vain, Vicious, Violent and much to their chagrin, must admit that they are Victorious. Physically, the Gallaghers are blond, blue-eyed and broad-shouldered. They tip the Toledos to a combined weight of 465 pounds. . . . Mike, 230 and Doc, 235 and are the same height, 5 ft. 11 in.

"We were born mean and tough, fortunately, or we would not have survived," says Doc and Mike. "Our blood lineage alone is proof of our courage. Our handsome father came to this country from Ireland and our beautiful mother came from Czechoslovakia. In Bayonne, the Irish and the Czechs were and are always fighting each other.

"Father wanted us to side with the wild Irish and Mother wanted us to join with the hot-blooded Czechs. In order to be loyal to both we decided not to affiliate ourselves with either group. Instead we stood back to back and fought both groups and that gave us great satisfaction because we never had to look for a fight, as there was always one waiting. It also gave us a basic background for the style we use today in tag team matches," concluded the Gallaghers.

In ring action the Gallaghers are unbridled fury. In the past six months, they have defeated the best teams in the business. They have proven themselves to be a ruthless, hard-bitten, rampaging duo. When the action gets hot, the Gallaghers grab one of their opponents and both kick viciously to the mid-section. On other occasions Doc will corner an opponent and knock him to the floor, while Mike climbs to the top rope to land upon the sprawled figure for a fall.

It has been said that the Irish are lucky. However, the Gallaghers have proven their right to championship honors with blood, bruises and sweat in copious quantities. Although, they descended to the depths in some of their bouts, they are now secretly admired by the fans for their mat prowess. Both Doc and Mike say it is great to be at the top. "We have been victorious and that is what pays off in this business." Whether the Gallaghers will ascend to the World Championship will entirely be up to Doc and Mike Gallagher. They certainly have the intestinal fortitude to scale the heights.

FERNANDEZ—NEW CUBAN KAYO ARTIST

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He's a regular movie-goer, likes Latin music but doesn't care for dancing. He enjoys doing roadwork. He finds pleasure doing anything that will aid him in bettering himself pugilistically. Fernandez is trained by his manager Higinio Ruiz, in the latter's gym.

"I have never seen a boy who loves fighting more than Floro," says Ruiz. *"He lives, breathes, eats and drinks boxing. It is constantly on his mind. Once he steps into the ring to face an apponent, he goes all out—he's full of action. To me, the transformation is startling. Mostly it is in the expression of his eyes, a queer glinting light comes to them and he regards his rival as if the fellow has done something to him that makes the Cuban mean. But we manage to restrain his savage impulses—doing so with mental chains, chains forged of strong convincing words. He is a good boy and does as he is told—which is a good thing all around."*

Florentino has no girl friend—and wants none. He wants nothing to interfere with his ring career. For the present, at least, that comes first. He owns a 1953 Chevrolet.

He is a thrifty lad, one who spends his hard-earned money wisely. He won't pass up a bargain in jewelry—for the simple reason that he considers it an excellent investment. *"Better than money in the bank,"* he says.

Florentino has one of the most singular hobbies in the world, buying hats. He is in possession of an odd assortment of headgear—about fifty of them.

His first trip to New York thrilled and amazed him. A ride in the subway was a grand experience for him; as were the sights of traffic on busy thoroughfares, the world-renown glittering Great White Way, the skyscrapers, the immense shopping centers, the hurly-burly of this great city and—of course—Madison Square Garden, the world's most famous boxing arena.

Florentino Fernandez was to have opposed the rugged and seasoned Gaspar "Indian" Ortega at the Garden on August 7, but he had to withdraw because of sudden illness. It's a question which made Floro feel worse, being sick or being forced to forgo his meeting at the Garden.

There is no doubt but when he completely recovers, he'll show at the Garden against a good opponent.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS

By Jack Waina

THIS CORNER HAS BEEN TABBING HARD PUNCHING Henry Hank as one of the better prospects in game since back in 1952.

The tougher the opposition, the better Hank seems to perform. In his last five starts, the Detroiter has made believers out of many skeptics and proved that he belongs with the best middleweights active. Hank in his most recent start halted Neal Rivers at 2:40 of the tenth round at New Orleans. Previously the Detroiter halted Willie Vaughn in ten, Charley Joseph in eight after having dropped a close split decision to Joseph earlier, and decisioned Jimmy Beecham. Indeed an impressive record for a fighter who has the durability to knock off some pretty fair fighters, while awaiting a really big chance to show the public what he can do.

▶ The Big "D" Boxing Boosters Club tried its first show on its own and employed the services of Julius Piazza. The members of the Big "D" worked awfully hard and gallantly, but were let down when the matches and operating conditions were far below par for a professional promotion. Ringside seats were placed on the ground floor which was covered with loads of saw-dust. The timekeeper's bell had been loaned to Station WXYZ-TV for a wrestling show, so poor Ray Gouldman had to struggle along with a cover from a pan. The public address system (portable type) wouldn't operate from inside the ring. So dear reader, a weird time was had by all 1,001 fans who paid $1,590 net to watch the poorly handled festivities.

Dave Shoulders, 194, and his fellow Detroiter Sam White, 217½, met to see who would qualify to meet Willie Coleman for the vacant state heavyweight championship. Both boys labored hard to no avail despite urging from referee Bobby Watson and the fans. The decision went to the cautious Shoulders, who gained revenge for an earlier TKO (cut eye) suffered at the hands of White.

Little Leroy Jeffery, 130¾, Detroit, created what little excitement there was when he dropped Robert Keeling, 129¾, Louisville, Ky., with one of his famed left hooks. Leroy proceeded to pound his helpless opponent until the contest was halted at 1:09 of the first round.

Oscar Burton, 160¾, Detroit, edged out crafty Art Glass, 154¾, Dayton, Ohio in a hard fought eight rounder, and Ernest Hill, 160¾, Detroit, easily bested Levi Garcia, 158, Detroit, in the opening eight.

Another nice turnout of 8,890 fans paid a gross gate of $18,000 to watch an all star wrestling show at the Olympia Stadium featuring the amazing Antonino (Argentina) Rocca. As an added attraction the undefeated former heavyweight boxing champion of the world, Rocky Marciano, guest refereed one of the matches.

Rocca won over Ed Miller; Dick The Bruiser outroughed Dr. "Big Bill" Miller; Angelo Poffo and Hans Schmidt won over Guy and Joe Brunetti; Wilbur Snyder bested Hans Hermann; and Alex Karras and Leo Nomellini defeated Gino Angelo and Harry Lewis.

IN OLD NEW ENGLAND
By Don Hamill

WEST YARMOUTH, MASS.—MILL ARENA—A PAIR OF PROMISING HYANNIS YOUNGSTERS, Johnny Otto and George Maddox, disposed of a pair of Berkshirites, Willie Rice of Sheffield and Jerry Keip of Pittsfield, each in the third round of the eight round co-features. Both Otto and Maddox bear a lot of watching. The weights were: Otto, 161; Rice, 170; Maddox, 151; and Keip, 150.

Tom McNeeley, 196, Arlington, belted out Cardell Farmos, 180, Boston, in the third round of a sixer to rack up possibly his most important victory to date. Eddie Sylvia, 148, New Bedford, decisioned Hank Georgio, 150, Providence, to another six spot. The four round opener saw, Gerald Blackman, 151, Lowell, battling to a draw with Don Vincent, 147, Providence.

▶ PROVIDENCE.—Pierce Memorial Field—Harold Gomes, 129, Providence, laid claim to the New England junior lightweight title by stopping Jimmy Kelley, 129¾, Lowell, in the third round. Kelley was dropped four times in the second round. Gomes wasted little time in the third round leveling the little Greek with the Irish monicker.

Jackson Brown, 158, Boston, retained his New England middleweight title by winning the rubber match from Willie Greene, 156½, Providence, in twelve rounds. Brown continually beat Greene to the punch. Tommy Tibbs, 133, Boston, rewon the New England lightweight title he had lost to Tommy Garrow, 135, Claremont, by all but flattening him in the first round and then going on to outscore him with left hooks and fast combinations in their twelve rounder. Satch Jamiel of Warren won the state lightheavyweight crown from fellowtownsman, JoJo Sanchas.

▶ WEST YARMOUTH.—Mill Arena—Johnny Otto, 160, Hyannis, continued his winning way with a kayo over veteran Dave Grant, 152, Boston, in the fourth round of the scheduled eight round feature.

In the eight round co-feature, George Maddox, 153, Hyannis, gained a points win over Eddie Sylvia, 146, New Bedford, in a crowd-pleaser. Jimmy O'Malley, 149, lanky Bostonian, unleashed unsuspected punching power to belt out Kenny Stokes, 156, also of the Beantown, in the second round of a sixer. Jerry Flynn, 135, Boston, turned pro by outpointing Larry Rodrequez, 130, New Bedford, in the four rounder.

▶ PROVIDENCE.—Pierce Memorial Field—Harold Gomez, 127½, Providence, added a claim to his growing collection for the world's junior lightweight title by winning a fifteen round unanimous decision over Paul Jorgensen, 129½, Port Arthur, Tex. Gomes already has the New England featherweight and junior lightweight titles. To defeat Jorgensen he had to survive four knockdowns. Gomes, far ahead on points, was dropped three times in the eleventh heat but came storming back at a time when Jorgensen became suddenly arm weary. Gomes elected to mix with Jorgensen in the final heat and again visited the canvas. He surprised all not only by getting up but by taking command again.

Joe Gomes, 167, Providence, proved that his earlier win over Don Prout, 169½, Providence, was no fluke by repeating by decision in the eight round semi-final. Dick DiVola, 129½, Boston, halted Jerry Flynn, 134¾, in two rounds. Hank Georgio, 147½, Providence, outpointed fellowtownsman Don Vincent, 144, Providence, in six. Joe Butler, 141½, Providence, stopped Eddie Beard, 136, Johnton, in the second round.

▶ NEW BEDFORD.—Sargeant Field—Joe DeNucci, 164, Newton, punched Charles A. Washington, 155, New York, around quite freely to soften him up for the kayo blow, a right cross flush on the jaw in the fifth round. Washington fought under the false name of Archie Whitefield for which he, the promoter and all who were involved were suspended.

Ted Doncaster, 165, Sackville, N. B., flattened Willie Royce, 165, New York, in the first round. Harvey Lammers, 155, New Bedford, was stopped in the fifth by Art Turner, 150, New York. Kenny Tavares, 135, New Bedford, kayoed Dave Johnson, 134, Paterson, N. J., in the third round of a four; while in the opener of the same route, Pat Kelly, 145, Beverly, dropped a decision to Charley Porter, 150, New York.

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CONNECTICUT BOXING NEWS
By Sal Giacobbe

NORWICH—AMONG THE MANY FEATURES of a week long Tercentenary celebration, was Norwich's first boxing show in years, sponsored by the combined efforts of the town's service clubs, with Vic Darr and "Kelly" Smitkin heading the committee.

In the feature contest of 12 rounds, for the N. E. light heavyweight Championship, Bob Young of Providence successfully defended his title by scoring a TKO over Willie Eaton of New Haven in 2:38 of the fifth round. Eaton, a last minute substitute for Jimmy Monts of Hartford, gave away too many pounds. Starting fast, Eaton soon became the crowds' favorite, as he peppered Young with lightning combinations of hooks and jabs and hurt Young in the third round when he connected with a solid right to the head.

In the fourth, a savage attack by Young decked Eaton for a nine count. Coming out for the fifth, Eaton's left eye was closed and he was an easy target for another blistering attack. Referee Max Muravnick, wisely decided the odds were too great and stopped the bout in the fifth round. Young's weight was 172 pounds to Eaton's 161.

Ted Doncaster of Montreal, Canadian light heavyweight champion, was very impressive in scoring a 3rd round TKO over Henry "Kid" Lee of Detroit in the semi-final. Doncaster, at 167 pounds to Lee's 165 pounds, scored a hard right to Lee's jaw early in the first round and had Lee on the ropes twice in the second round. The referee stopped the one-sided affair in the third round.

In another TKO verdict, Hank Giorgia, 147, Providence, was declared the winner over Kenny Williams, 146, Roxbury, Mass., in 1:05 of the fourth round of a scheduled six.

The best bout of the night was the opening four rounder. Carmelo Acevedo, 126, Hartford, decisioned Lou Ouirina, 127, of Providence. Former champion Willie Pep and former heavyweight contender George Fitch worked as guest referees.

The bouts were held at the Chelsea Parade Grounds under a rented tent with well over 1,500 fans in attendance with a gross of about $4,000.00.

MARITIME RESULTS
By Fred Bishop

HALIFAX, N. S., YOUNG BLAIR RICHARDSON, 155, SOUTH BAR, CONTINUED his winning ways as he beat Wally Wilson, 158, billed out of Toledo, O. He stung Richardson a couple of times in the first but quickly took the long count when a short left hook found the chin at the 1:10 mark of the second.

In a co-feature 10, left-hooking Lenny Sparks, 143, Halifax, looked very impressive in stopping Ray Lynah, 142, New York, in two.

Cecil Gray, 188, Halifax, polished off Phonse La Saga, 208, St. George's, Newfoundland midway through the second.

In the best fight of the card, two locals stood toe-to-toe and slugged their way through four fast rounds with Tony Perry 138, getting the nod over Bobby Gordon, 137. The crowd left the arena in an angry mood because of the poor contests.

▶ Halifax.—Tommy Tibbs, 133 Boston, surprised the Halifax fans as he beat Canadian Champ, Rickie Howard, 137, Halifax from pillar to post in every round to win the unanimous decision in 10. Tibbs, out to avenge a previous loss of last fall, charged across the ring with the opening bell. There were no knockdowns but Richie was on the floor three times in the wild first as one of his wild rights carried him there and twice Tibbs was guilty of throwing him down.

The semi-final of eight was a lively affair as Antonio Rivera, 142, New York, and Lenny Sparks, 144, Halifax, blasted away at each other from bell to bell The decision in Sparks' favor drew a storm of boos.

A special of six ended at the 2:10 mark of the third as Buddy Daye, 124, Halifax, stopped ring-rusty Dockie Munroe, 133, Halifax.

Making his first pro. start, Johnny Dupre, 137, Dartmouth beat Spider Sparks, 136, Halifax, in four.

▶ Whitney Pier, N. S.—Blair Richardson, 154, South Bar, sensational young middleweight, scored his ninth straight kayo and eleventh in fifteen fights as he stopped the veteran Al Duarte, 145, New Bedford, Mass., on cuts under and over Duarte's left eye. Referee Pordena Smith called a halt as the fifth round finished.

Scotty Cameron, 158, Dingwall knocked out Gene Morain, 154, Big Pond, midway through the second. In two fours, Dave Barrett, 139, Westmount outpointed Kevin Richardson, 138, South Bar and John MacLean, 140, Sydney fought to a four round draw with Frankie Robinson, 142, Dingwall.

▶ New Glasgow, N. S.—Jackie Hayden, 134, Westville, was razor sharp but could not cope with Jesse Watson, 135, New York, who walked off with a split decision over 10 rounds. Hayden bled from the cuts over the eyes freely from the third on.

Tough Doug Ode, 156, Thorburn won on a T.K.O. over Bruno Bouchard, 155, Quebec City, in four. Bouchard fights out of Charlottetown, P.E.I.

In fours: Lee Stetle, 132, Charlottetown, scored a first round T.K.O. over Lorne Spencer, 124, Stewiaeke, N. S. Jimmy Poulton, 125, Charlottetown, edged Don Turnbull, 122, Stellarton, N. S.

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PITTSBURGH PUNCHES
By Mickey Davies & Lou Caponi

QUICKIES—With Joe Luvura at the promotional helm, Bobby Gordon, Charleroi, iced Tony Baldoni, Wilkes-Barre, in defending his state middleweight bauble. . . . Scrap was staged at Charleroi. . . . Pittsburgh welter, Reybon Stubbs, making his second Coast start, was stopped by Charley "Tombstone" Smith, in 8 heats at Hollywood Legion. . . . Joe Perrone's scrappy banty, Walt Ingram, will invade Mexico rings in the near future.

Local fight folks are buzzing about the talents of lightie Carmie Price. . . . Promoter Benny Anolik will operate in nearby Steubenville, Ohio and Wheeling, West Va.

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NEW ORLEANS BOXING NEWS

By Ike Morales

THROUGH THE FIRST SEVEN MONTHS OF THE YEAR, NEW ORLEANS BOXING HAS PROSPERED, so much so, that there hasn't been a single loser for the promoters. This is unusual, because the fight game here, like almost every other spot where the sport is held, has been of the hit-or-miss variety. Attractiveness of the matches in lieu of outstanding performers have been the reason for the fight revival. And if the promoters continue at the present clip, there are likely to be a number of fights going beyond $20,000.

On successive weeks, the New Orleans Boxing Club, with Harry Frisch and Danny Cohen co-promoters, and Lou Messina, matchmaker, have bettered $10,000 gates. In one, Henry Hank and Neal Rivers did $11,913, while the other, one week later, between Ralph Dupas and Frankie Ryff, went $12,482, despite much opposition the same night from baseball and the annual soap-box derby.

▶ Ralph Dupas, 143, left no doubt as to his superiority over Frankie Ryff, 140, when the local boy gave the Bronx belter a decisive whipping in 10 rounds in Municipal Auditorium. It was their "rubber" match. The bout grossed $12,482 for the New Orleans Boxing Club. The fight lacked the thrills of their previous New Orleans showing, a bout which grossed $48,000. However, it was quite interesting in the late rounds.

Barney Ross, former lightweight and welterweight champion and now manager of Ryff, was given a fine ovation when he entered the ring along with trainer Freddie Brown.

▶ Johnny Capitano returned to the ring to score a third round TKO over Roger Etienne in the semi-final billed for six. The referee halted the bout when Roger suffered a severe cut. Capitano weighed 146½, Etienne, 143¾.

▶ In a bitter, bruising brawl, Vince Bonomo, 151, outslugged Tony Longo, 148, in four. Bitsy Beecher, 151¼, outpunched Gus Cuevas, 146¼, in a wild-swinging affair over the four round distance, while Dom DiCarlo, 132½, was brilliant in whipping tough Tony Perez, 132, in another four. DiCarlo was making his first pro fight and looked like a fine prospect, if not rushed.

▶ Henry Hank of Detroit may or may not move into title contention, but the 24-year-old middleweight has certainly taken New Orleans boxing fans by storm because of his punch. After dropping a questionable decision to Charley Joseph, the Detroiter came back to hand Joseph his first kayo, technical as it was.

▶ Following this fight, Hank was matched with Willie Vaughn, cagy veteran who was in with the best in his division. Vaughn kept close to Hank for nine rounds and had, what appeared to be, a comfortable margin. But in the tenth, Hank found the range, let go with his famous left hook and flattened Vaughn for the full count, first time Willie was ever counted out, so he claims.

▶ Then came his fight with Neal Rivers of Las Vegas. Like Vaughn, the hooking Rivers was more than holding his own with Hank for nine rounds. But in the tenth, "Hammerin' Hank" let go with his left that dropped Rivers on all fours. Rivers, game as they come, survived a nine-count, and ran into another battering. Bleeding from nose and mouth, and his right eye closing fast, the referee halted the bout with only 20 seconds remaining. Lon Messina was the matchmaker.

▶ The Hank-Rivers bout, staged in Municipal Auditorium on July 13, drew $11,913. Paid admissions totalled 5344 fans. Hank weighed 159¼ pounds, Rivers, 160¾.

▶ Dave Dupas, 139¾, repeated his first victory over Larry Armstead, 136¾, in one of the three 10 rounders on the card. Dave used left hooks to open up a good margin. Dupas kept on top of Armstead and Larry was unable to break through with his best punches.

▶ In the other tenner, Joe Dorsey, 177¾, stopped Willie Williams, 174¼, of Detroit in the sixth round. Joe took charge after a couple of slow rounds and belted Willie pretty good until the finish.

▶ What's wrong with Charley Joseph? That's what local boxing fans are asking following the middleweight's loss to Ernie Burford, 152¼, of Memphis, Tenn., at the Coliseum arena on Monday, July 27. Joseph, 158¾, the once ranking 160 pounder, turned in a listless performance in dropping a 10-round split decision to Burford—far from the fights he waged with Spider Webb, Jimmy Beecham, Willie Vaughn and other high calibre middleweights. It was Joseph's second straight setback, the second time in his ring career he was beaten in successive bouts.

▶ The fight was tagged as a Southern middleweight title bout, and Burford was presented with a belt emblematic of the championship immediately after the fight by Promoter Nick Lapara of the Crescent City Boxing Club, promoter of the contest.

▶ A total of 1428 fans paid $2,686.75 gross to see the fight. The net was $2,216.78.

▶ While the main event was far from a thriller, the supporting bouts were packed with action. In the six rounder which served as the semi-final, Willie Ransom, 138½, won a unanimous decision over Aaron Hackett, 136¼, stablemate of Burford. It was an interesting bout. Ransom's fine rally in the sixth clinched whatever doubt there was as to the winner.

In the other sixer, Pero Bradley, 178¾, bested Joe Gleason, 175¼. Pero had too many guns for his less experienced Gleason and pulled away to an easy victory in the last three rounds.

▶ Gene "Stringbean" Leslie, 153½, weathered a second round knockdown to decision Al "Tex" Watkins of Indiana, in one of the four rounders. Watkins, 158¼, started off as though he would make quick work of Leslie, but was dog-tired in the last two rounds. In the other four, Percy Puigh, 132, decisioned Sammy Davis, 134, in a free-swinging affair. It was a split decision win for Puigh.

▶ Young Tony Dupas is fresh from three straight victories, beating Paddy DeMarco, former world's lightweight champion at Alexandria, La., Billy DePriest at Marrero, La., and Clarence Cook at Monroe, La. All fights were over the 10-round distance and were unanimous with the officials.

▶ "What Tony needs is to be kept active," said manager Whitey Esneault. "He'd like to fight fellows like Jay Fullmer, Joey Miceli, Guy Sumlin and others who will give him a battle. But just try and get them to fight Tony."

▶ SHORT HOOKS:—Joe Brown's kayo of Paolo Rosi was the lightweight champion's seventh successful title defense, topping the great Benny Leonard's mark by one . . . New Orleans' busiest fighter this year has been Tony Dupas, younger brother of Ralph. During the first seven months of 1959, Tony engaged in nine fights, winning five. Incidentally, his last three winning efforts were within 19 days. Tony's record includes fights with the Moyer brothers in Portland, Ore., (Denny and Phil).

Emile Bruneau, the No. 1 authority on the local boxing commission and successful business operator, has added a finance company to his enterprises . . . One of the best looking prospects to come out of the amateurs is Dominick DiCarlo, who made his pro debut an impressive one on the Dupas-Ryff card. He's a lightweight.

PELICAN PUNCHERS

By Bill McIntyre

BUSY BOP SCHEDULE—LOUISIANA, ACCUSTOMED TO A LONG DRY SPELL throughout the summer months, packed in five professional boxing cards during the month of July as Shreveport, Monroe and Alexandria joined New Orleans in the punch parade.

▶ The sudden mass movement of muscle produced the busiest 30-day Pelican State program since the late 40s.

▶ The state's second largest city, Shreveport, returned to the professional fistic wars for the first time since 1957 and staged a surprisingly adequate card, considering that only six pro cards have taken place over an 11-year period.

▶ At SHREVEPORT, Matchmaker Gladden Harrison: "Irish" Johnny McKoin, formerly of Bastrop and more recently of Shreveport, landed the heavier punches to hammer out a unanimous decision over veteran Al Boudreaux of New Orleans in a 10-rounder at Municipal Auditorium.

▶ McKoin, weighing 140, won 8 rounds on all three cards and came out on top in a closing toe-to-toe slugfest against the Crescent City cab driver, who had to sweat off four pounds in two hours to get down to 147

▶ Dewayne Garris, 177, Monroe, stopped big Billy DeSoto, 208, Shreveport, in 2:32 of the 3rd; Southern AAU champion Eddie Nations, 153, Shreveport, made his pro debut with a stunning knockout over ring-wise Sonny Strange, 150, Shreveport, in 2:23 of the 1st; and Ray Nicholls, 122, Alexandria, entered the pro ranks with a 4-round nod over Jimmy Rankin, 126, Shreveport.

▶ At MONROE, Promoter Loy Scarborough: A packed gathering at B and B Arena saw Ralph Dupas' younger brother, Tony, maul his way to a 10-round split decision over Clarence Cook, Bastrop.

Cook, 150, a jab artist who has beaten such swingers as Del Flanagan and Jimmy Martinez, repeatedly tied up the bull-like rushes of Dupas, 147, to erase any chances of an early finish. The Bastrop puncher, who was flattened by and then decisioned Johnny McKoin in his only two starts this summer, looked sluggish throughout.

Andy Fritcher, squat New Orleans light heavy, outpunched Dewayne Garris of Monroe in an industrious duel and Columbus Marshall of Shreveport turned back Henry "Kid" Burton of Monroe for the third straight time in a 6-rounder.

▶ At ALEXANDRIA, Promoter Art Visconte: Tony Dupas, 147, New Orleans, a busy lad, was back in action 11 days after edging Cook and this time he went after big game. Following 10 rounds of swatting, at Bringhurst Field, Dupas held a unanimous decision over former world lightweight champion Paddy DeMarco, 146, Bronx, N. Y.

▶ Earlier bouts saw Ike "Sugar" Thomas, 176, Alexandria, make his local debut with an 8-round decision over J. D. Marshall, 212, Shreveport; Henry "Kid" Burton, 160, Monroe, take a hard-fought 4-round verdict over old enemy Columbus Marshall, 159, Shreveport; and Eddie Nations, 157, Shreveport, grabbed his second straight win with a 4-round nod over Walter Henagan, 158, Alexandria.

BOXING NEWS FROM LOUISVILLE, KY.

By Joe Martin

AT THE DOWNTOWN ARMORY, RUDELL STITCH, 146, hammered punch-besieged, New Yorker, Rudy Sawyer, 147, to the floor three times in the first round to put an automatic end to their bout.

An ensuing volley of punches by the Presbyterian Church elder sent Sawyer to the deck for the second down. He later said he hurt an ankle after the first knockdown. Stitch finally nailed Sawyer with a long, thundering right to the button for the third knockdown.

In the Semi-final of 8 rounds, Willie Moran, 145, Louisville, boxed a draw with Leon Rosano, 146, of Indianapolis. In the other 8 rounder, Tunney Hunsaker, 184, of Fayetteville, West Va., decisioned Ben Thomas, 180, of Chicago, Ill. In a six, Dolphus Brown, 156, of Louisville decisioned Fletcher Lee, 160, of Louisville and Eddie Whitaker, 126, of Louisville, won his fourth pro-fight by a ko in 1:23 of first round over Frankie Zolliner, 124, of Indianapolis.

Last July 4th, the amateur boxing TV show marked its 5th Anniversary. In the five years, 664 boys have appeared on the show at least once. Joe Martin, Jr., and Willie Moran, have each appeared 32 times, for the record. The matchmaker is your writer.

Louisville will be the site of the Eastern Regional Olympic Boxing trials next year, the trials will be held at the Fairgrounds in April.

At the State Fairgrounds, Alonzo Johnson, 183, of Braddock, Penn., used a relentless body attack to gain a unanimous 10-round decision victory over Willie Pastrano, 187, of Miami, Fla.

A gathering of 1,767 saw Promoter Bill King's interesting although unspectacular bout that was televised nationally.

Ernest Terrell, 196, of Chicago won the unanimous decision over Tunney Hunsaker, 188, of Fayetteville, West Va., eight rounds.

Willie Moran, 147, of Louisville, scored a T.K.O. over Benny Sowell, 146, of Gary, Ind., in 2:46 of third round. Art Glass, 158, of Dayton, Ohio, won unanimously over "Beau Jack" Brown, 157, of Louisville in six-rounder and Eddie Whitaker, 126, of Louisville gained the unanimous decision over Ivan Keeling, 129, of Cincinnati in four.

YOU GOTTA DO IT THE HARD WAY

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"brisk" six or seven miles, with sprints interspersed to "promote perspiration."

He advised "at least 20 minutes of bag punching before the afternoon workout." And "if the mood dictates, stay out of the gym and do another four miles on the road." Oh, yes, in the evening another two miles or so.

On diet, he favored "moderately stale bread" but included cereal with milk, eggs and baked potato as variants. He stuck to beef as the main provender but was not single-minded as to "raw-centered." "Cook to taste," he instructed.

With modifications occasioned by modern living, these programs have remained in force.

Vitamins, taken under a physician's guidance, now are an adjunct of any physical-building grind. A current example is offered by welter-weight champion Don Jordan. Less than two years ago barely over the lightweight limit, he has grown into a 147-pounder of full stature and strength.

However, Eddie Futch, his conditioner, says: "What did it more than the vitamins is his training. You have to make him knock off, he'll go on forever if you don't pull him up."

Jordan's zest for the gym and his possession of a title are not mere coincidences. Everybody knows that the more you are around a gym, the more you'll pick up in knowledge.

Benny Leonard once guessed: "I must spend eight hours a day in Grupp's, it's my place of business." And his mastery of the science, as well as the mascular aspects, of the game is an undying legend.

Mannie Seamon, who trained him in his peak days as light-weight champion, remembered standing in the gym with Leonard one afternoon after his own session was finished.

"You see Soldier Bartfield in there," Benny said, nudging Seamon, "he's dropping his left hand every time he jabs. Anybody could drop him with one shot."

After the round bystanders promptly carried that opinion to Bartfield, a redoubtable club fighter.

The infuriated Bartfield charged over to where Leonard was standing. "What are you trying to make a clown out of me for?" he shouted.

"That's not hard," Benny smiled.

"If you know so much, show me my mistake in there," he persisted.

"Give me a minute to get dressed," Leonard said quietly.

In no time he was in togs and ready for Bartfield.

They started, Bartfield moving menacingly into Leonard. But, as he pawed, his left dropped. Zing! One right by Benny and Soldier's legs were crisscrossed. He let Bartfield advance again. Same move, same counter. This time Bartfield went down . . . he just wasn't capable of learning.

Leonard looked over his shoulder and shouted to Seamon, "the lesson's wasted, wait for me, we'll be leaving for downtown in a few moments."

But a man of ring intelligence could learn under similar circumstances. And perhaps one of the most famous cases of mutual constructive benefits from gym association is the story of Tommy Ryan and Jim Jeffries.

When they first met, Ryan was a noted welter and middleweight, a proud champion. Jeff, the hulking giant, still was far from his later scaling of the heavyweight title heights.

Ryan always told friends: "He (Jeffries) taught me how to protect myself against a power puncher. But I did something important for him. I showed him how to fight out of a crouch."

Long after his retirement, Jeffries recalled: "One of the men in boxing I hated most was Tommy Ryan. I didn't talk to him for 24 years. But, if you asked me who I respected most, I'd say Ryan. He made me a champion with that crouch. I'll never forget it."

In a less distant generation there was the memorable hard-way instruction dealt out by Tony Canzoneri to a sparring partner. Tony was lightweight champion at the time, the other just a youngster.

Canzoneri had hitting accuracy and position know-how and he blasted the kid round after round. Tony marveled at his eagerness in coming back for more. The champ, who indulged in a cigar after workouts, would call him in and kid him. All the abashed lad could say was: "Gee, Tony, you shouldn't smoke, it isn't good for you."

In time that erstwhile greenie fought—and whipped—Canzoneri for the title. And the first thing this fighter—who was Lou Ambers—did was to dash over to Tony's room, shouting "I told you those cigars would hurt you!"

Certainly no man had to adapt himself to rugged discipline more painstakingly than Joe Louis after his overconfidence-tainted first fight against Max Schmeling.

Here had been a wunderkind whose relatively easy road had been dynamited by the veteran German. But, once Jack Blackburn said, "Chappie, you've been listenin' to too much soft talk, you're gonna listen to me from now on." Louis recognized the situation.

Blackburn went after Joe as if he were the rankest novice around, instead of the brightest box-office name in boxing. And he listened. The net result was a surge of new conquest. He breezed into possession of the title by knocking out Jim Braddock.

"Wasn't this the greatest?" they asked Joe in the dressing room, expecting an exultant answer of confirmation. He crossed 'em up. Solemn-faced as an owl, he said: "I'm not the champ 'till I lick S'mellin'."

Two years later Louis achieved first-round revenge in a melodramatic fight that saw Schmeling finish up in a hospital. Joe's performance was dynamic and a rich strike of the satisfaction lode.

But boxing's serious thinkers could see it in another light. It was the final aspect of the issue under discussion here. In other words, if the gold standard fighter of the last 20 years could have varied so widely with varied moods, you have your answer: you gotta do it the hard way, even with a Louis.

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AROUND THE TRI-STATE AREA

By Don Elbuam

FT. ERIE, CAN., BOXING RETURNED TO THE CITY ACROSS the bridge from Buffalo, with Jack Singer, Jr., in the promoters seat and yours truly handling the matchmaking.

Exciting, up and coming Rocky Fummerele, 156, Buffalo, ran his winning streak to 23 by taking a unanimous duke from shifty Teddy Roosevelt, 156, Youngstown, in the eight round main event.

Tough Jimmy Watkins, 147, Buffalo, gave away eight pounds and won a hard fought decision over Charles McCreary, Youngstown.

Tommy Payne, Detroit, 155, outboxed hustling Bobo Butler, 165, Buffalo. Hard-punching Pancho Padilla took 1:53 of the second round to put Al Green away.

Undefeated Tony LaBarbera, 131, Buffalo, made it win number three by handing Bob Spencer, 142, a Warren, O. another loss.

▶Erie, Pa., Tony Christy, Pittsburgh, and Dick White, Youngstown, thrilled 550 fans with eight rounds of toe to toe slugging. Tony and Dick who battled a draw on the last card repeated their thriller as each fighter was rocked time after time. Tony, the better boxer of the two, gained the split duke.

The co-feature of eight rounds saw Bobby Hughes, 172, chase Billy Lewis, 6 ft. 3 inch Akron 166 pounder for four rounds before he finally caught him with a big right hand to the body that set him up for a left hook to the head and ended the fight.

Johnny Bizzarro, Ring's "Prospect of the Month", had an easy time with Freddy Stover, Pittsburgh, the local kayo sensation landing a pretty right hand to the body that dropped Stover for the count in the first. This is 12 out of 13 for Johnny, including 10 kayos.

DELANEY—RING WIZARD

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decision over a listless Delaney. His lagging form persisted, as Risko evened matters with him the same year. Sandwiched in between these two disappointments, was a criticized affair in which he was adjudged winner over Paolino on a foul. Fading, now punchless Paul Berlenbach was a six round knockout victim in Chicago late in 1927.

On March 1, 1928, plodding Tom Heeney mauled his way to a Madison Square Garden decision over the waning wizard, and Delaney's bid expired completely when he suffered a baffling one round "knockout" at the hands of Jack Sharkey on April 30, 1928 in the Garden.

Rated strictly as a light heavyweight, Jack Delaney's credentials as the best 175 pounder of them all are very strong. As a skillful boxer he yielded nothing to such artists as Loughran, Conn, M'Tigue or anyone else you care to name.

For sharpshooting power punching he has had no equal in his class. He was for a time regarded as the outstanding fighter in the ring. Retiring in 1932, his last years were unfortunate. Plagued by illness, he passed away at the early age of forty-nine in 1948.

In any estimate of light heavyweight champions it is difficult to rank any of them on a par with Jack Delaney at his best.

"I WAS DOPED"

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prowess. Time certainly has furnished a striking answer to Beach's wondering question.

The day Jeffries signed to fight Johnson, he weighed 316 pounds. Think that over, and then decide if Jeff was doped. 316 pounds! The day before the fight, he was down to 217. Can you imagine a man taking off nearly 100 pounds, and expecting to be "as good as ever"? Sure he was doped!

The camp which Jeffries set up at Reno included trainer Roger Cornell, sparmates Jim Corbett, Joe Choynski, Bob Armstrong and Sam Berger. Did Jeffries, in his dope charge, mean to imply that any one of these would become involved in a plot to beat him? Poppycock!

WONDER WAS THAT JEFF SURVIVED SEVENTH

The start of the fight was delayed some. It developed that Jeffries' handlers had had a little trouble arousing him from a nap.

The wonder was not that Jeffries was knocked out, that he failed to stand up and punch it out with Johnson, but that Jim was able to go beyond the seventh round.

As Johnson returned to his corner after the seventh, he said to his seconds, "Jim had come back a trifle too late." Even thus early, Johnson knew he had the fight, that he could whip Jeffries even if he coasted along, and that he could pick his round.

Jeffries opened boldly. But soon it became evident that he could not make it. Johnson closed his left eye and gashed his nose and mouth.

Johnson finally decided that the time had come, in the thirteenth. He belted Jim all over the ring, and the bell saved the Boilermaker.

However, if Jeffries was old and decrepit, and overmatched and retirement worn, he still was game. He gave everything he had left in the fourteenth round.

At the end of that heat, Johnson taunted Jeffries, and hurled jibes at Corbett and Berger. The end was near.

Jeffries was knocked down three times in the fifteenth. The fans shouted to referee Rickard to stop the slaughter, but he did not heed them, even after two knockdowns.

Then a left, a right and another left, short, well aimed powerful blows, reduced the white man to a state of complete helplessness. Down went Jeffries for the third time.

Jim sprawled over the lower rope, half outside the ring. It was something like Rocky Marciano knocking out Joe Louis in Madison Square Garden.

THEY NEVER COUNTED TEN OVER BEATEN FIGHTER

The timekeeper counted seven and then Berger and Corbett jumped into the ring and the fight was over. Rickard walked between Johnson and the fallen man and placed his hand on Jack's shoulder. The winner and champion!

History has noted that they never counted to ten over Jeffries. It was an unnecessary formality.

Now, for a recapitulation. Sitting in his corner a beaten fighter, Jeffries appeared to be thoroughly cognizant of what was going on. He said, "I am not a good fighter any longer. I could not come back boys, I couldn't come back.

"The things I used to do were impossible. I used to shoot in a righthanded body punch, a short range blow that never failed me. But when I tried it today, the snap was not there. It was only a love tap.

"I suppose most of my trainers and helpers will say that I did not box often enough. It would not have made any difference if I had sparred a dozen times more. I simply was not there, and that's all there is to it.

"I was getting along nicely on my alfalfa farm when they started calling for me to fight Johnson. I was the White Hope, they told me. My pride got the better of my good judgment.

"Six years ago it would have been different. Now, well, I guess the public will let me alone after this."

All this hardly impresses as the mumblings of a doped victim of a dastardly plot.

DOCTOR SAYS, "MIRACLE JEFF LASTED SO LONG"

What verdict does the Ring Detective arrive at on the dope charge? On the gamblers' plot? On Jeff's terrible lethargy? On Edgren's drugged tea?

The Doctor says, "On the evidence presented, Jeffries performed a physical miracle going fifteen rounds under the blazing July sun in Reno, after having reduced 99 pounds, and having been in retirement for six years.

"I recollect that there was a lot of talk before the match was made that Jeffries had been doing some drinking. His 316 pounds would tend to support that. However, let us not impugn a dead man. He was misled by his friends, not doped by them.

"I would say that on the evidence which you have placed before me, as a doctor, Jim Jeffries was doped not by outsiders, but by himself."

The Ring Detective rules, "There is nothing to support the drug charge. The years have not produced any evidence to back up Jeff's 1910 prediction that they would reveal a story about dope and plotting against him, by men whom he had regarded as friends.

"At no time in later years did Jeffries return to the drug guff. Not too long before Jim died, Nat Fleischer, of The Ring Magazine, visited with him in California, and Jim never mentioned the dope plot.

"Jeffries was whipped by a much stronger, by a younger, better conditioned man who had been in training uninterruptedly.

"Misplaced pride brought Jeffries into the ring. Misplaced pride prompted him to rig up that dope yarn.

The fight stands as decided—an honest knockout victory for Johnson, an honest knockout defeat for Jeffries.

In his next investigation, the Ring Detective will investigate the suspicious looking affair of 1900 in which Jim Corbett stopped Kid McCoy in five rounds.

FROM JAMAICA WEST INDIES

By Ken Jones

JAMAICA BOXING, SAGGING AGAINST THE ROPES because of the decline of welter champ, Gerald Gray, is being given a boost by new promoter, Eddie Young. The insurance businessman who has a deep love for the fight game, is head of Jamaica Promotions, the Island's newest outfit in the field.

▶ Gerald Gray, once rated among the world's ten best welters, lost his Jamaica title to 21-year-old, Basil Campbell, his former sparmate, at the Palace Theatre. The bout went only 3 rounds and ended with Gray being disqualified for foul tactics.

Kid Banga, lightweight champion, fought to a draw with Emilio Sanchez in a 15-round title bout.

NEWS OF THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

BIRMINGHAM . . . Wally Swift, Nottingham, 144¼, gained an easy points win over Richie Edwardson, Bootle, 148, in eight. . . . It took Colin Salcombe, Smethwick, 133, only 95 seconds of the first round to dispose of Billy Nelson, Lancaster, 132, via the K. O. route.

Johnny Lewis, Nottingham, 119, knocked out Harry Salcombe, Smethwick, 119¾, in 2 mins. 5 secs. of the first round. . . . Another first round K.O. was credited to Pat McGarry, Birmingham, 157, who put Billy Riley, Bootle, 155¼, down for the full count, in 2 mins. 45 secs.

Terry Edwards, Smethwick, 131, of the fighting Edwards Family, made his debut in professional boxing with a points win over Brian Spragg, Birmingham, 136¼, in six. Teddy Haynes, Birmingham, 159½, and Dave George, Woking, 155½, fought desperately for two rounds when Haynes was the sufferer of a very badly cut eye due to a clash of heads, and it was no surprise that his seconds would not let him continue at the end of the round. . . . Dave Ashley, Leicester, 143, outpointed Johnny Colclough, Birmingham, 140, in six.

▶NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB . . . LONDON . . . Johnny Kidd, Aberdeen, Lightweight Champion of Scotland, 128, was a clear points winner over Con Mount-Bassie, Jamacia, 129, in a spirited eight. Tony Smith, Bootle, 145, one of our most promising welterweights made it 14 straight when he outpointed the promising Welshman, Len Barrow, Swansea, 147, in eight. Roy Beaman, Brixton, 119½, stopped Frank Soencer, Wolverhampton, 115½, in the fourth.

Johnny Berry, Harlesden, 159½, knocked out Tony Ratcliffe, Bristol, 163¼, in the fourth. Dave Ford, West Ham, 126¼, outpointed Peter Hibbert, Shepherds Bush, 135½, in a hard fought six. . . . Arthur Burley, Wolverhampton, 135, stopped Dave Chandler, Battersea, 137, in the fourth, when the referee intervened. Dave was in no condition to defend himself.

▶WEST HARTLEPOOL . . . Promoter Walter Hazeltine had many headaches before his T.V. promotion was allowed to proceed. First his local attraction, George Bowes, was declared unfit to take part in contest with Mohammed Zarzi, French bantamweight champion, over 10 rounds. Long distance telephone calls to Tommy Miller, West Lothian and Eric Brett, Retford, found both willing to act as a substitute for Bowes, but Zarzi who scaled 116½, would not accept either Miller, 123, or Brett, 123¾, as an opponent on account of the weight difference. . . . The Frenchman's advisors stated that Zarzi had fulfilled his contract and would box any opponent who scaled 119, or under. It was too late in the day to arrange for another opponent for Zarzi, and Promoter Hazeltine had no other option but to invite Miller and Brett to oppose each other. . . . The substitute bout was most interesting.

The shock for Miller came after 2 minutes of the first round when Brett shot a right under the heart, causing Miller to sink to the canvas. The count went to "eight" before the cagey Miller rose to circle the ring and last out the round. From then on it was Miller using a stinging left trying to avoid the two-handed punching of Brett, when the latter succeeded in slashing a cut over Miller's left eye. The bout now swung to Brett's favor.

The end came during the interval after the seventh, when the seconds called the referee, Fred Wintrip to their corner, and declared that Miller was in no fit condition to carry on. . . . Thus Eric Brett was declared the winner.

Another bout on T.V. was a most punishing bout between Ole Michael, Nigeria, 135, and Byron Hollingsworth, Trinidad, 134¾, who fought eight furious rounds, and a fitting result to everyone's satisfaction was the announcement of "a draw."

Jimmy Croll, Dundee, 157, making a comeback after a six months lay-off, was slower than he had been as a welterweight, and he was clearly outpointed by Ken Harvey, Thornley, 161, in eight. . . . Johnny Bamborough, West Hartlepool, 135, stopped Ron Cowley, Sunderland, 143, when the referee intervened at the end of the fourth, as Cowley's left eye was completely closed. . . . Jim Nolan, Thornaby, 140¾, stopped Les Robinson, Sunderland, 133½, in the second.

▶STREATHAM . . . Terry Downes, Paddington, British middleweight champion, 160, making a welcome return to the ring after a 4½ months lay off, after a scar tissue operation, did not impress the large crowd in defeating a blown up French welterweight, Andre Davier, 155¾, via the knockout route in the seventh round. Downes won the first four rounds by sheer aggression against the shell-like defense of the Frenchman. Downes had no defense against the Frenchman's hooks, and during the fifth session Davier hit Downes with seven consecutive lefts to the head causing a stream of blood to show over his left eye.

In the sixth, Downes continued his aggressive tactics and although showing facial damage he cornered the tough Frenchman in a neutral corner and dealt out severe blows to the latter's side. In the seventh Davier collapsed from heat and exhaustion and rolled over as referee Jack Hart started the count. The Frenchman got to his knees at five and stayed there till he was counted out.

Dave Stone, Battersea, 134¾, became the Southern Area Lightweight Champion by virtue of a win over the holder Ron Hinson, West Ham, 134¾, when referee Stan Hiles stopped the bout in the last round of a scheduled twelve, when the latter was in a bad way and tottering against the ropes. Stone was the aggressor from the first gong, and always looked too strong a puncher for Hinson. . . . Barney Beale, Lambeth, 134¼, was a lucky winner over Jimmy Brown, Belfast, 133¼, in their British Title Eliminator for he was allowed to hold in the clinches when the Irish lad wanted to keep fighting. For this he was cautioned by referee Tommy Little on many many occasions. In the sixth Brown cut loose and scored with rights to the body and the bell came to Beale's rescue after taking a short count. . . . Brown continued to force the issue to the end, and on two more occasions Beale was forced to take a count.

Ron Jones, West Ham, 122¾, and Terry Toole, Hackney, 122¼, met in a return engagement, for in their previous meeting, Toole was forced to retire with a damaged eye. In this bout, Toole attacked from the start, but this was countered by the well-directed straight lefts and right crosses of Jones, who was never taken out of his stride, and a draw was a fitting decision after eight interesting rounds.

Roy Beaman, Brixton, 119, defeated Don Coshirel, Guernsey, 119½, when the referee would not let the latter come out of his corner for the fourth round. Tanos Lambrianides, Greece, now domiciled in Cardiff, 148¼, owing to The Ministry Of Labour permits, can box as a professional WITHOUT PAY, his purse going to charity, was too strong and forceful for Steve Richards, Hungary, and now living in Bermondsey, 174½. The referee came to the latter's rescue after he had got up off the canvas from a "nine" count, and was not in any condition to defend himself. . . . Alan Palmer, Norwood, 126½, outpointed Johnny Collier, Bethnal Green, 124½, in six.

▶ABERDARE . . . Phil Edwards, Cardiff, 161½, although winning every round of the scheduled 10, against the Italian, Remo Carati, 159½, did not cover himself with glory. It is easy to find faults with a promising performer, but one must take into consideration that against a back paddling opponent, who is in there to last the distance, as Carati did, then Edwards must be excused for not giving the performance that one knows that he is capable of doing.

Brian Curvis, Swansea, 143½, was not extended against Peter Cobblah, Ghana, 144¼, in eight. The forthcoming season will see young Brian Curvis performing amongst the leading welterweights. He has the class.

Howard Winstone, Merthyr, 122¼, is another ex-amateur that will go places, for he showed good form in easily outpointing Ollie Wyllie, Glasgow, 128, in six. . . . Allan Hands, Blackpool, 231, outpointed Brian Jelly, Bermondsey, 211, in a hard punching eight. Johnny Thomas, Cardiff, 123, made short work of Ron Harris, Swansea, 116, who was subjected to heavy punishment during 65 secs. of the first round, before the referee intervened.

▶FIVEMILETOWN Co. Tyrone . . . George Connell broke new ground in promoting in Co. Tyrone, and had his fair share of worries before a capacity crowd witnessed a good fighting programme. Every one of his four eight round bouts had to be cancelled owing to non-appearance. Garnett Denny, Belfast, 178, outfought and outpunched Tommy Summers, Liverpool, 177, in eight. The latter was very game to last the distance.

Paddy Kelly, Derry, 125, was fully extended by Paddy McManus, Belfast, 129, before he was forced to retire at the end of the fifth with cuts above both eyes. Joe Sharpe, Belfast, 142, was a narrow points winner over Tony McCann, Belfast, 146, in eight. Bobby Griffen, Carrickfergus, 141¾, knocked out Ray Bond, Belfast, 143, in the fifth.

▶SHOREDITCH . . . Harry Dodoo, Ghana, 178¾, had too much on the ball for Canadian, Burke Emery, 170½, who came in for some heavy punishment from the two-fisted colored fighter. Referee Pat Floyd stopped the one-sided encounter during the third, after Emery had received a bad cut over the left eye.

Peter Heath, Coventry, 134¼, stopped Ernie Fossey, Islington, 137, in the fifth. . . . Jackie Bowers, East Ham, 124¾, gained a well earned points win at the expense of Brian Jago, Tottenham, 127¾, after a hectic six. Johnny Davis, Bermondsey, 131¾, punched too hard for Billy Allport, Walsall, 134¾, and when the later rose after two long counts in the third, and was in no condition to defend himself, the referee wisely halted the bout in favor of Davis.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(to August 21, 1959)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)	Yvon Durelle (C)	Dick Tiger (N)	George Barnes (A)
2. Joe Erskine (W)	Johnny Halafihi (TO)	Yama Bahama (B)	Joe N'Gidi (SA)
3. Brian London (E)	Mike Holt (SA)	Wilfie Greaves (C)	Johnny van Rensberg (SA)
4. Joe Bygraves (J)	Chic Calderwood (S)	Terry Downes (E)	Basil Campbell (J)
5. Dick Richardson (W)	Sam Langford (N)	John McCormack (S)	Gerald Gray (J)
6. Gawie de Klerk (SA)	Arthur Howard (E)	Clive Stewart (A)	Hector Constance (T)
7. Dave Rent (E)	Jack Whittaker (E)	Phil Edwards (W)	Albert Carroll (E)
8. Joey Armstrong (G)	Harry Dodoo (G)	Freddie Cross (W)	Billy Todd (A)
9. Jack Toller (G)	Ron Redrup (E)	Martin Hansen (E)	Mick Leahy (I)
10. Allan Williams (A)	Eddie Wright (E)	Henry Speedie (SA)	Sandy Manuel (N)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Dave Charnley (E)	Hogan Bassey (N)	Freddie Gilroy (I)	Johnny Caldwell (I)
2. Ludwig Lightburn (BH)	Rafiu King (N)	Len Reece (W)	Dennis Adams (SA)
3. Richie Howard (C)	Percy Lewis (T)	George Bowes (E)	Jackie Brown (S)
4. Barney Beale (E)	Bobby Neill (S)	Dick White (A)	Derek Lloyd (E)
5. Billy Kelly (I)	Terry Spinks (E)	Johnny Jarrett (A)	Frank Jones (S)
6. Jackie Hayden (C)	Wally Taylor (A)	Tommy Miller (S)	Malcolm McLeod (I)
7. Dave Stone (E)	Ernie Baronet (SA)	Derry Treanor (I)	Pancho Bhatachaji (IN)
8. Johnny But'worth (E)	Charley Els (SA)	Billy Rafferty (S)	Little Joe (G)
9. Ron Hinson (E)	Floyd Robertson (G)	Sexton Mabena (SA)	Moses Edeki (N)
10. George Bracken (A)	Roy Jacobs (N)	Terry Toole (E)	John Mtimkulu (SA)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guiana; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales.

Alan Palmer, Norwood, 128¼, knocked out Roy Flynn, Jamaica, 128, in the first. . . . Dave Thomas, Islington, 136½, having his first professional bout, scored a knockout victory over Brian Hanmore, Shoreditch, 134½, within 2 mins. in the first round.

▶DUBLIN . . . Ireland's Premier Promoter, George Connell of Belfast, broke new ground when he staged an open air show at Tolka Park. It was the first in four years and the response was satisfactory to the popular Belfast boxing perveyor under the jurisdiction of The Irish Boxing Board of Control. . . . Fred Tiedt, Dublin, 144, made his first appearance as a professional, and his opponent Sani Armstrong, Ghana, 148½, provided the fans with a clever and interesting eight. Tiedt started the attack from the first gong, and it seemed that it was going to be a hollow victory for the local lad, but Armstrong is made of sterner material, he weathered the storm and broke even in the following two sessions. The bout was then fought on even lines to the satisfaction of the fight-hungry fans. The last round was a furious battle for the lead. The crowd cheered the referee's decision of a draw.

Al Sharpe, Belfast, 147, Northern Area Welterweight Champion, stopped Richie Edwardson, Bootle, 149, in the third. Eddie O'Connor, Dublin, 119, stopped Andy Hayford, Ghana, 123, in the sixth. Floyd Robertson, Ghana, 132½, stopped Pat Loughran, Belfast, 137½, in the second. Barry Burke, Jamaica, 157, stopped Frank Monaghan, Donegal, 164, in the fourth.

▶LIVERPOOL . . . When Johnny Best arranged for Television, a bout between Brian Husband, Hull, 147¾, and Paddy Graham, the Belfast redhead, 146¼, over eight rounds, viewers throughout these Islands, knew that he was on a winner. In his last contest, young Brian Husband had won a points decision over the British welter king, Tommy Molloy and Graham had previously drawn with the champion. Graham proved too experienced for the nineteen year old Hull welter-weight, who had a run of eight victories in succession, and try as he might, he could not get out of the way of Graham's double left lead. The youngster continued to go forward only to be met with short and snappy left jabs till the seventh. Then Graham, who was having all the better of matters, shot a brilliant right inside Husband's left lead and connected with the later's jaw. It was like a bolt from the blue with only thirty-four seconds to the end of the round, Husband was lying on the canvas with arms outstretched, a perfect knockout. Perhaps twelve bouts in seven months for a promising youngster who gives everything in training and actual contest was too much for Brian Husband, but a complete rest from boxing should again see one of our promising youngsters on the winning trail.

Johnny Cunningham, Huddersfield, 159½, gained a clear points win over the hard hitting Orlando Paso, Nigeria, 157½, in eight. This was Cunningham's first venture into the middleweight ranks, and he did a very good job in outmaneuvering the durable battler from Nigeria. . . . Roy Jacobs, Nigeria, 126½, narrowly outpointed Eric Brett, Retford, 126, in a very interesting six. Jacobs, taller than the aggressive Retford lad, kept the exchanges at long range that gained him the advantage.

Malcolm Worthington, Huddersfield, 162, clearly won on points against Colin Aldridge, Nottingham, 161½, in a sparkling six. Teddy Tyrrell, Bootle, 116, stopped Johnny Boston, Blackburn, 113, in the third. Cliff Spinks, Hindley Green, 125½, won a narrow points decision over Pat O'Shea, Manchester, 126, in a hotly fought six. . . . Roy Smith, Nottingham, 135½, narrowly outpointed Brian Clarkson, Liverpool, 136½, in four.

MARYLAND'S MERRY MAULERS
By Joe Poodles, Sr.

BOOM BOOM LESTER POSTED ANOTHER WIN ON his comeback trail when he scored a nine round TKO over Larry Zernitz at the Bel Air race track at Bel Air, Md. Lester, 184, spotted his New Haven, Conn. opponent 15 pounds and won convincingly according to the officials score cards.

A right on Zernitz chin had the tough youngster momentarily stunned with a minute to go in the ninth.

A disappointing crowd of 902 paying fans paid a gross gate of $2.113. Zernitz substituted for Wayne Bethea. Al Flora's Charles Center Boxing Club promoted.

Johnny Gilden, Baltimore welter, continued his undefeated skein when he kayoed Saxey Robinson of Wash., D. C. in the fourth. This was Gilden's eighth win in a row.

Joe Salci, formerly of Wilkes Barre but now making his home in Baltimore, also kept his slate clean since turning in his amateur card by winning his eighth straight by kayoing Sammy Jones of Wash., D. C. in the 2nd heat in a welterweight bout.

Cornelius "Killer" McPhaul, Baltimore middleweight, kayoed Harold Davis of Wash., D. C. in the fifth round. Teddy Eaton, Baltimore middleweight, showed real class in copping the duke over Willy Williams of Wash., D. C. in four rounds.

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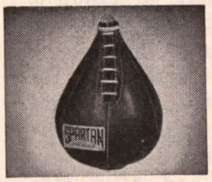

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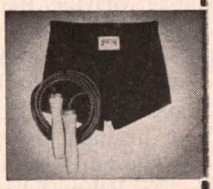

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BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII
By Ted Yamachika

HONOLULU'S STAN HARRINGTON, 147¾, GAVE IT A GOOD TRY but was unable to match the firepower of his opponent and lost a ten round decision to Virgil Akins, 149, of St. Louis at the Civic Auditorium.

The decision was close but definitely Akins'. Referee Walter Cho and Judge Louis Freitas scored the fight 49-46 in Akins' favor, while Judge John Medeiros had it even at 49 points apiece.

The Boxing Enterprizes, Ltd. promoted the card and drew 5,498 fans, one of the biggest indoor crowds in years, and grossed $17,717.

There was very little action during the first half of the fight and at the end of five rounds Harrington probably held a very slight edge.

Harrington became aggressor in the sixth and appeared like a winner as he shook Akins with a hard right and later connected with some good combinations to the body. Akins began fighting back with a fury he hadn't displayed up to this point.

In the eighth Akins had the biggest round of the fight by either fighter as he punched Harrington almost at will with a half dozen combinations, mostly to the head. Only Harrington's ruggedness kept him on his feet. Akins also copped the ninth and tenth rounds.

Henry Mailolo, 138, knocked out Fred Arelliano, 137½, in the second. Lionel Rivera, 128, knocked out Bobby Kid Herron, 126, in the first. Nick Procak, 147½, decisioned Pasia Paialii, 147, 4 rounds. Benny Rodrigues, 133, and Johnny Hart, 133½, fought to a draw, 4 rounds.

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THE LATIN LOOK

(*Continued from page 19*)

Eduardo Mojica, a flyweight from Nicaragua, is another who looms as a future star, while Rudolph Bent of British Honduras is a capable journeyman.

Outside of Cuba, there are many top notch fighters in the West Indies, led by welter Gerald Gray, of Jamaica, and middleweight Sugar Boy Nando, of Aruba, Melville Bennett of Trinidad, Jose Torres, of Puerto Rico, who has done all of his fighting in the U. S., is a comer as is Emile Griffith, of the Virgin Isles, a welter, who also has done all of his fighting in this country.

Emilio Sanchez and Kid Banga, two Jamaica lightweights, and Allan Harmon, a 150 pounder, back up Gray as other top attractions. Newcomer Basil Campbell, who upset Gray recently, is ready to meet top men in Kingston, which is becoming a top fight town.

Sam Langford, a tough middleweight from Curacao, Battling Siki, a light heavy and Kid Fenton, two Arubians complete the list of top men in the Islands.

The list of youngsters coming along is as long as the list of recognized fighters. Naming only the ones who stand above the crowd we find flyweights David Monray, Gonzalo Galan and Hilario Correra, of Mexico; bantamweights Jorge Nunez and Ignacio Perez, of Cuba; and Rogelio Ybarra and Max Huerta of Mexico; featherweight Stanley Wilson, of Panama, and lightweight Victorio Guzman, of Mexico.

A long and impressive list. The total number of weekly boxing shows in Latin America is well over 100, a formidable total when compared with the rest of the world. Is it any wonder that boxing is taking on a LATIN LOOK?

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FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

NURSERY KID, 134¼, NUMBER ONE PHILIPPINE LIGHTWEIGHT contender, halted Somkiat Lugmatulee, 135, Thailand, in the 4th round at the initial presentation at the reconstructed Metropolitan Theater of the prewar days into Besa Boxing Arena. Nursery's right uppercut sent the Thailander to the canvas for one count in the middle of the third. At the sound of the 4th Somkiat refused to come out of his corner. There was no other recourse but awarded the decision to the Filipino fighter.

Young Aquino, 111½, won a split decision over Romy Sison, 111½, in 12 rounds. In the Special event of 6 rounds Jess de Leon, 115, badly outpointed Star Catalan, 114. Al Reyes, 118¼, won over Baby Gony Jr., 116½ in 6. Leo Amadeo, 114½ bested Boy Domingo, 114¼ in 4. Baby San Juan, 99 kayoed Little Moro, 97½ in 3.

▶ The newly organized team of Fel Mendoza and Jake Solomon had made their initial promotion in Guagua, Pampanga which had proved to be successful. Bert Gonzales, 124, and Danny Rosales, 120, drew in 8 round main event. San Juan Boy, 120, lost to Al Reyes, 120, in 6. Johnny Bonn, 120, won over Johnny Junior, 120, in 6. Fighting Cito, 115, and Station Boy, 113, drew in 6. Speedy Gudar, 118, drew with Stiff Aguila, 119½, in 4. Little Romulo, 112, and Small Carding, 108, fought on even terms after 4 slugging rounds. Cruz Junior, 110, bested Cezar Naven, 112, in 4.

▶ Emil "Bill" Tinde, 130, and Cagayan Boy, 127, were thrown out of the ring in the 5th of a scheduled 10 round main event in Mogpog, Marinduque. After the third warning they were thrown out of the ring and declared it No Contest which was met with the approval of the crowd.

Speedy Gundar, 116, halted Ernie Lelong, 116, in 3. Star Cruz, 138, bested Iron Box Jr., 138, in 4. Kid Perlito, 114, outpointed Mar Labaquis, 114, in 4. Rush Profidilla, 124, kayoed Korean Boy, 123, in 3. Flashy Rolly, 110, bested Boy Ernie, 110, in 4.

▶ Army Wonder Boy, 126, knocked out Jackie Tlillana, 126, in 9 rounds of the 10 round main event at Besa Boxing Stadium. Jackie was down twice in the eighth. He refused to answer the bell at the start of the 9th stanza.

Young Terror, 127½, was downed for a 5 count in the 2nd round by Baby Gony, 128, but came out strong and badly outpointed his rival in 10 rounds. Fil Ravalo, 134, kayoed Slugger Joe, 137½, in 6. Mighty Bargan, 137½, outpointed Larry Fernandez, 136, in 6. Leo Laluder, 110, halted Fred Saluder, 110, in 4. Teddy Ellen, 116, bested Little Reyes, 111½, in 4.

▶ Kid Tacio Jr., 112, decisioned Baby Demiliones, 111, in 8 rounds in Guagua, Pampanga. Stiff Aguila, 127, and Oscar Guban, 129, received the technical draw after colliding their heads in the very first round of a scheduled 6. Gil Gueta, 112, bested Billy Brown, 116, in 6. Paul Pascua, 112, drew with Primo Pamiro, 116, in 4. Ben Cezar, 114, fought in even terms with Rudy Pineda, 114, in 4. Small Doro, 102, drew with Baby Jolly, 105, in 4. Young Lubao Jr., 105, outpointed Pat Rosatata, 104, in 4.

▶ Dio Cagulada, 124, drew with Oscar Reyes, 126, in 8 rounds in Balanga, Bataan. Al Reyes, 118, bested Baby Ross, 118, in 8. Ernie Paredes, 116, halted Danny Rodenas 118, in 6. Renny Baluyot, 130, drew with Fighting Ubaldo, 128, in 6. Viva Zapata, 115, drew with Baby Jazmin, 116, in 6.

▶ Star Viasca, 126, badly outpointed Rush Army Boy, 125, in 6 rounds in Cainta, Rizal. Steve Granada, 126, bested Rady Roy, 125, in 6. Rey Mario, 115, won over Flash Pineda, 115, in 6.

▶ Terry Flores, 141, of Arayat, Pampanga won over Blitz Najar, 140, of Manila in 8 rounds in Urdaneta, Pangasinan. Baby Demilliones, 111, of Manila badly outpointed Vic Siminiano, 112, of Pangasinan in 8. Smart Francing, 114, drew with Baby Brown Jr., 115, in 6.

▶ I deeply grieved the death of Don Francisco Goitia y Mendieta last June 28 after a long lingering sickness of the heart. He was the former manager of the Santa Ana Racing Club and a Technical Adviser of the GAB in racing at the time of his death. He was one of the first Filipino boxers during the early days of boxing in the country way back in 1910. He was then a bantamweight and one of the first Filipino members of the Olympic Club organized by Churchill and Tait. He was the boxing tutor of Paul Gyn (Apolonio Gener, who is now a member of the Municipal Board of Manila), who fought Dencio Cabanela for the bantamweight championship of the Orient in 1919. Don Paco was a sportsman and a gentleman of his days.

INDIANA CORNER COMMENTS
By Joe French

AL FARB, PROMOTER OF THE HOOSIER BOXING CLUB in Indianapolis, is completing plans to stage the Indiana state championship tourney which was announced last month. In order to give all qualified and deserving boxers a chance to compete in the tournament, the entry list is still open. Boxers of all weights, from 112 up to heavyweight, may enter. Contact this writer, who is assisting the Hoosier Boxing Club. Interested boxers should mail their photo, record and news clippings to the writer at 1009 French St., Jeffersonville, Ind.

▶ Tom Leeper, the "dean" of Indianapolis fight managers with over 20 years experience piloting fighters as well as additional time in the squared circle as a former boxer, is back on the fistic scene with a ten man stable. Leeper's stable is headed by Leon Rosano, a good welter prospect. In recent starts, Rosano kayoed Willie Harris of Chicago in three heats before local fans and followed up with a disputed draw at Louisville with Willie Moran.

While pro boxing is taking a temporary lay off, the amateur game is being kept alive in Indianapolis. Al Allen, Indianapolis amateur trainer and boxing coach, deserves a "hand" for his interest and work with local boys. Besides his training and coaching activities, Allen has served as matchmaker for various shows and tournaments in the Indianapolis area.

BOXING IN URUGUAY
By Mario Laplume

PALACIO PENAROL: ALBARESTINO DE LOS SANTOS, URUGUAY, 125, kayoed Eduardo Mino, Argentina, 127, in 2. Jorge Fiordelmondo, Uruguay, 151, decisioned Raul Diaz, Argentina, 154, in 6. Roberto Del Blanco, Argentina, 187, kayoed Ruben D'Oyola, Uruguay, 194, in 4. Jupiter Mansila, Uruguay, 110, decisioned Santiago Josseff, Argentina, 111, in 10.

▶ Palacio Penarol: Francisco Jorge, Uruguay, 185, kayoed Nelson Llaneza, Argentina, 184, in 5. Isaias Verdun, Uruguay, 126, drew with Hector Suarez, Argentina, 123, in 10. Felipe Fuentes, Uruguay, 134, decisioned Amaro Acosta, Uruguay, 134, in 10.

▶ Palacio Penarol: Nelson Enrique, Uruguay, 112, kayoed Armando Marcilla, Argentina, 116, in 3. Francisco Jorge, Uruguay, 144, decisioned Vicente Osorio, Argentina, 160, in 6. Ruben De Los Santos, Uruguay, 147, decisioned Eduardo Andrade, 144, in 8. Jorge Peralta, Uruguay, 143, decisioned Godofredo Barcos, Argentina, 145, in 10.

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IDAHO HIGHLIGHTS
By Dick Eardley

UNBEATEN BOISE HEAVYWEIGHT GEORGE LOGAN, 197, just about ended comeback hopes for former champion Ezzard Charles, 200, when he KO'd the Cincinnati fighter in 1:50 of the eighth round at Boise. Logan floored the aging ex-champ for eight counts in the first and third rounds and had him down again for six in the eighth round before the final knockdown. It was Logan's 13th victory and 11th knockout in 14 pro fights. He has one draw.

Logan, showing more polish and punching power each time out, floored Charles with left hooks to the head the first two times, used a right cross for the third knockdown and a right to the head and a tremendous left to the body to finish him.

Charles, despite the battering, showed flashes of his old form, especially in the middle rounds when he came on strong and opened cuts around both of Logans' eyes.

The fight, held outdoors at the Fairgrounds in Boise, drew the city's largest fight crowd in several years. A paying crowd of 3,111 pushed the gross gate to $11,356.

Manager Al Berro hopes to have Logan ready for another tiff before the outdoor season ends.

Nick Turner, 170, Cincinnati, decisioned Teddy Martin, Sacramento, in six rounds.

Tater Smith, 161, of Vale, Oregon, TKO'd Champ Patrick, 158, Seattle, in 1:40 of the third. It was Smith's first pro fight.

Noel Morfin, 121, Boise, stopped Gene Jordan, 124, Victoria, B. C., in 2:59 of the first round.

Kid Fernando, 136, Lewiston, Idaho, knocked out George Dixon, 138, Seattle, in 2:50 of the fourth.

▶ The Charles knockout was the second of the month for Logan. The classy heavyweight pounded Joe Habana of Puerto Rico into submission in 2:15 of the second round at McCall, Idaho, on July 4. Logan used a straight right to put Habana away after having him down twice earlier in the first round.

▶ Popular Idaho lightweight Jimmy Grow returned to his hometown in Lewiston to pound out a seventh round knockout over Al Carroll of Sacramento. It was Grow's first fight since breaking off with manager Al Weill and signing with Jack Swanson.

▶ Seattle middleweight Dick Goldstein belted out Ernie Gibson of Sacramento in the sixth round of a scheduled 10-rounder at Twin Falls, Idaho.

SPOKANE NEWS
By Jack Powers

SPOKANE HEAVYWEIGHT TERRY LEWIS HEADLINED the only card in the area at Couer Dalene, Idaho on July 18 and floundered to a win by a knockout, recorded as third round ending. The first round lasted a probable record of eleven minutes, when Lewis' opponent, one Sandy Assogna, 196, who had been repeatedly fouled by the 235 pound Lewis, was given a three minute rest, followed by another of five minutes, then managed to last the remaining eleven seconds to get the first round over.

The long suffering fans were finally rewarded by a quick ending of the third round after fifty-eight seconds. The fans rained boos, cat-calls, and popcorn sacks into the ring, and loud demands for their money back. One paper called the bout a "farce" and the other a "fiasco".

Little else could be expected when one checks the RING for Assogna's 1959 record, and notes that Assogna has been knocked out six times in his last eight bouts and lost one of the other two by a decision. These records are available to the Idaho Athletic Commission which passes on all bouts and it was widely advertised in advance, yet the Commission permitted the bout to be okayed!

In two other bouts on the card Spokane's 171 pound Kirk Barrow continued his winning streak at the expense of John Handley, 170, of Oakland, Cal., with a second round KO.

Bob McKinney, Tacoma, 177, kayoed inept and unwilling Marvin Ross, 177, of San Francisco. A natural would be a main event between Barrow and McKinney and would give the long suffering local fans a little action for their money. Address me at West 315 Riverside.

DOWN ARIZONA WAY
By Al Fenn

ARIZONA'S ONLY FISTIC ACTION WAS AN ATTEMPT BY PROMOTER Al Maness of Tucson to revive old-time club fighting. Maness' five-bout production went on July 16, at Tucson Gardens. The crowd wasn't large, but encouraging. In the main event Reno Dominguez, 152, Tucson decision over Joe Alfaro, 152, Tucson in 8 rounds. In another 8-rounder, Oney Mingus, 121, Phoenix stopped Rudy Estrada, 119, of Sonora, Mexico, in the third.

In fours, Johnny Hunter, 158, Tucson, outboxed Peter Allison, 149, Tucson, then stopped him in the third; Felix Tona, 140, Tucson, nabbed a split decision over Frankie Monrreal, 140, Tempe; and veteran Nathan Ish, 165, of Phoenix, flattened Rex King, 168, Phoenix, in round 2.

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NAT FLEISCHER SAYS:

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heavyweight title bout, came as a shock in sports circles and to Johansson. Ingemar is the man who holds the key to the next championship match.

The internal strife has upset the applecart. It affords Johansson an out for postponement until next year.

AT LONG LAST, BOXING LEGAL IN OKLAHOMA

It took a long time for Oklahoma to legalize boxing though this international sport has been enjoyed by its citizens in several localities over the years. Bootleg boxing no longer will be necessary.

On August 4, the people of Oklahoma attended their first legalized show, though the sport has been tolerated over the years. The antiquated law against "prize fighting", which went out of existence back in 1892 when James J. Corbett and John J. Sullivan fought for the world heavy-title under Marquis of Queensberry Rules which required the use of gloves, will no longer hamper promoters.

The inaugural legal show found Chief Alvin Williams, a home light heavyweight, pitted against Alvin Green of Tyler, Texas. The battle for the legalization of boxing had been going on for some time in the State Legislature and like the fight to legalize liquor sales, it finally has been won.

Let's hope that the Governor of Oklahoma will appoint a commission that will see that boxing is carried on in a manner that will justify the support given to it by the law makers.

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That's why when an attraction such as Ingemar Johansson, Ray Robinson and Carmen Basilio are available, the bidding is high, the compensation tremendous and the public interest at high pitch.

Johansson rapidly learned the ropes when after his quick knockout of Floyd Patterson to win the world heavyweight crown he announced in his native land of Sweden: "There is no chance for me to defend my title in Sweden unless a way is discovered to televise the fight in the United States at the same time. The television question decides big events of this kind. There is too much money at stake and that's why I shall fight in the United States when ready to defend my title. It is the one country where one can obtain through television and gate receipts more money than in any other country in the world."

Ingemar has proved that besides having a good right hand, he also has a good noodle.

MACHEN KO OF VARGAS SENDS HIM UP AGAIN

Eddie Machen, whose knockout defeat in one round by Ingemar Johansson enabled the Swede to get a shot at Floyd Patterson and win the world heavyweight championship, recently displayed a brand of fighting which has not been seen on a national television show in recent months other than in the third round battering received by Patterson in his title bout with Ingemar.

If Machen will engage one or two of the top ranking heavyweights and can repeat handing out the punishment he heaped on Reuben Vargas in Portland, Oregon, he definitely will have to be considered for a return engagement with Johansson.

When Machen puts his heart into his work, forgets the retreating tactics as he employed in the Zora Folley fight, he rates high. Unfortunately he has displayed too little of that. His triumph over Vargas may be only a flash in the pan, but Eddie rates the benefit of the doubt.

Against the moustached Californian, Machen went all out and performed as he did when he made his first appearance on television and quickly reached the top spot among world rated boxers. His broadsides had Vargas hanging on the ropes at the finish and before that, staggering with rubbery legs around the ring.

It was a new Machen who proved he can fight when he wants to. Let's hope he continues that way so that when the Johansson-Patterson return bout is completed, the heavyweight division will have in Folley, Machen and Liston, a trio of top performers from whom to select an outstanding challenger. It is encouraging to see a fighter come back like Machen.

MANILA BOXING GETS BIG BOOST THROUGH BESA

Fight fans of Manila are congratulated on having the sponsorship in boxing of Mamerto B. Besa, President of the Philippine Boxing Association. The Besa Promotions have put new life into the sport in the Far East. Under the direction of the owner of the beautiful new Besa Boxing Arena, boys from all parts of the Orient have been imported to face the leading boxers of the Philippines. Now Besa is bringing to his country California and Mexican battlers to bolster the interest.

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Reports from the Orient give high praise to the management of the new arena and the sportsmanship that prevails in the Manila shows. The Besa arena is the best equipped in the East, with a regulation ring such as is used in Madison Square Garden.

NEWS FROM NEW ZEALAND
By Ern Hurley

TUNA SCANLON, THE MIDDLEWEIGHT KING OF THESE PARTS, put his title on the line twice in a matter of three weeks and retained it by a knockout on both occasions. First man to get the axe was Charlie Beaton who was belted out in six heats at Wanganui. Felled three times in the sixth by a barrage of blows to the head and body, Beaton's condition was such that the referee halted the one-sided contest.

Fritz Lueii went a little better than Beaton when he tried to lift Tuna's laurels at Tauranga but he too was stopped although he lasted into the 13th round. In this bout local enthusiasts watched the spectacle of two Samoans boxing for a New Zealand title.

▶ Down in the far south at Invercargill, Phil Wallace, an Aboriginal from Australia, is finding the local arena a good hunting ground. Taking part in five bouts in eight weeks he has won the lot on points. Roy Holt, an immigrant from England, was well laced when Wallace opened his campaign in this country and so was Joe McNally, his second opponent. Joe tried a second time but the result was the same even more convincing.

Fellow Aussie Alf O'Sullivan came over from Melbourne to try conclusions with Phil but he suffered the same fate as the others although he offered stronger resistance, that called for a rematch. Once again it was the dusky lad's hand who was raised.

▶ Fledgling professional featherweight Mick Corless found the going tough in his first outing in the paid ranks by being stopped in the tenth and last round of his Hawera bout with Fijian David Joseph.

▶ Jimmy Cassidy, 128, was too big physically for David Joseph, 123, in a ten round bout at Taita. Cassidy, a southpaw, was too long in the reach for the little Fijian who found this a decided handicap in nine of the ten rounds. Joseph won the last round but was well down on the points score.

▶ Alex Ross, an Australian heavyweight, was up and down like a yo-yo at Auckland when he met George Mahoni. He was decked no less than ten times before the sixth round when the third man decided he had enough.

▶ Joe McNally successfully defended his lightweight title against his old foe Billy Leckie in their native Dunedin and then decided to give up the game. It was a wise move on McNally's part as in recent years he has been prone to cut eyes and facial lacerations and no good purpose could be served by continuing in the game that is the hardest of them all. Wise too was Charlie Beaton who turned in his 12.7 crown recently. After some eleven years as a pro mitt slinger, Charlie has taken a lot of clouts so he retires to concentrate on a steady job.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. Jimmie Amann

EZZARD CHARLES, CINCINNATI'S FORMER HEAVYWEIGHT champion evidently is at the finish of his career. Although he batted .500 during July, winning from Dave Ashley on July 3, Ezz was knocked out in eight rounds by George Logan at Boise Idaho on July 30.

On the Charles-Ashley card held at Lockland, Ohio, Nick Turner, a very good Columbus lightheavy won from Sherman Williams in 8. Ivan Keeling stopped Rufus Holliday in three; John Davis won on a 2 round tko over Clarence Wooten and Baby LeRoy beat James Lane in six.

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